

# Archie's Sports Scene

WHERE  
DID I  
PUT MY  
BUBBLE  
GUM  
???

# RIVERDALE

Al  
Hartley



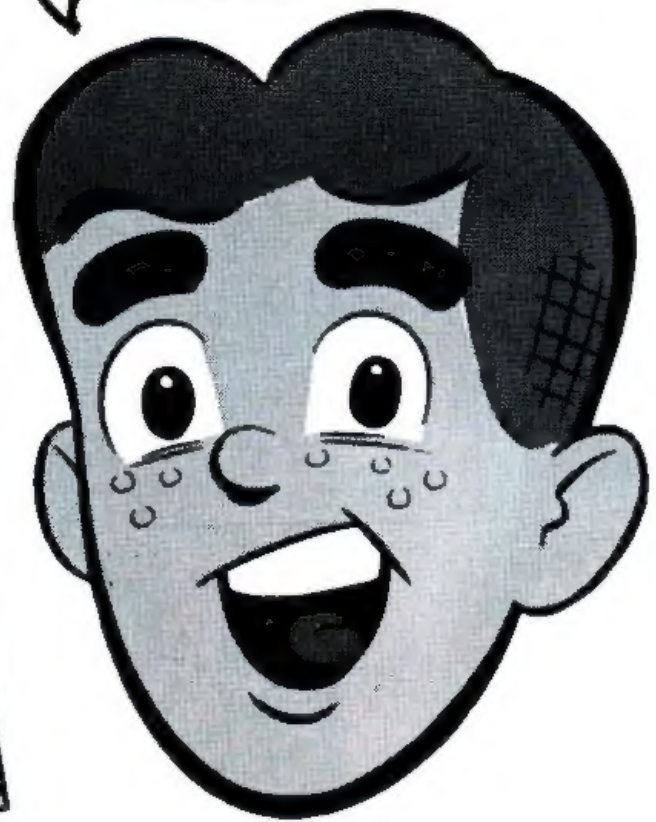
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Kids, you'll love my Comic Books!

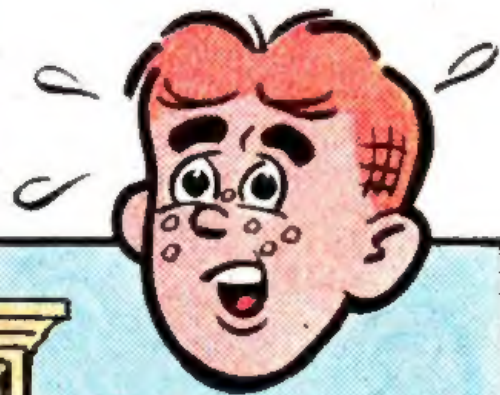


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# Archie

EMPTY  
CUP!



I  
GOT THIS  
CUP FOR  
**TENNIS**---

--THIS  
ONE FOR  
**FOOTBALL**--- THIS  
ONE FOR  
**TRACK**---

OH,  
**REGGIE**  
!!!  
YOU'RE THE  
**GREATEST**  
!!!



WHICH CUP  
DID YOU GET,  
ARCH?

**GASP!**



HMMPH  
!!!

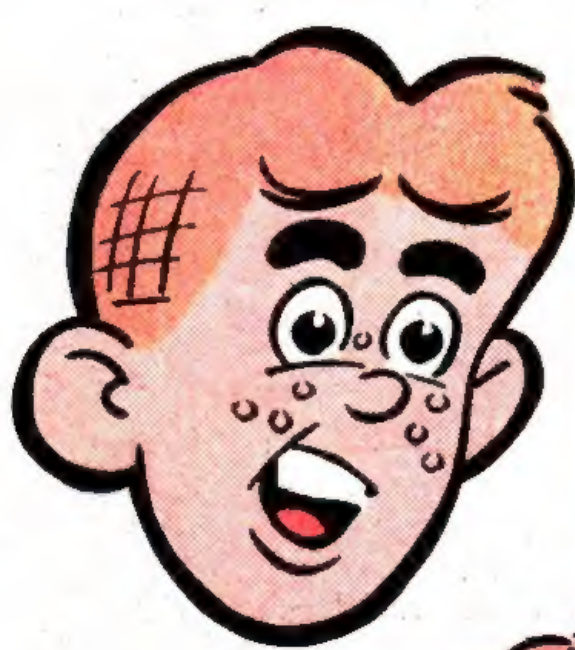
ARCHIE  
COULDN'T  
GET A  
**DIXIE CUP**  
AT A  
PICNIC!

**WISE**  
GUY  
!!!

I'LL  
SHOW  
HIM  
!!!

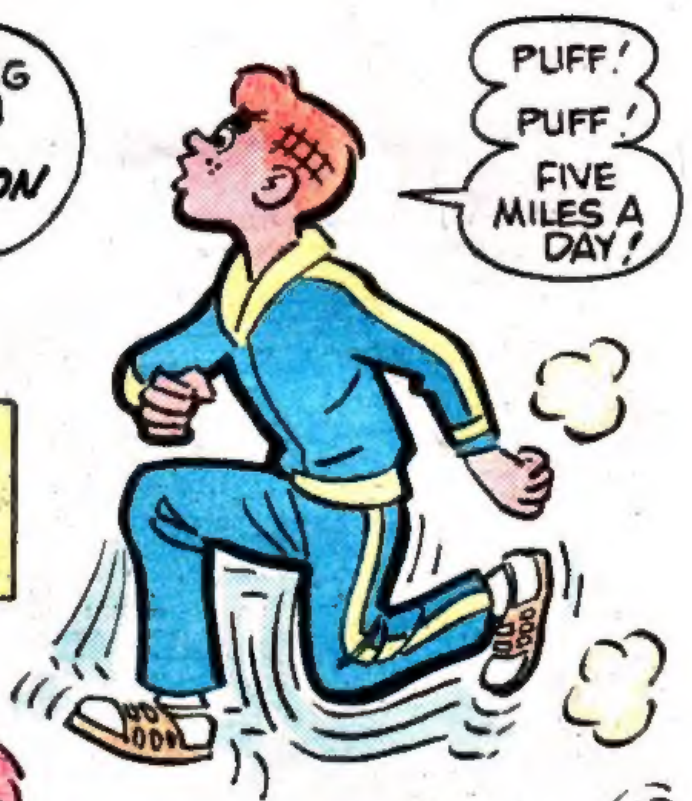




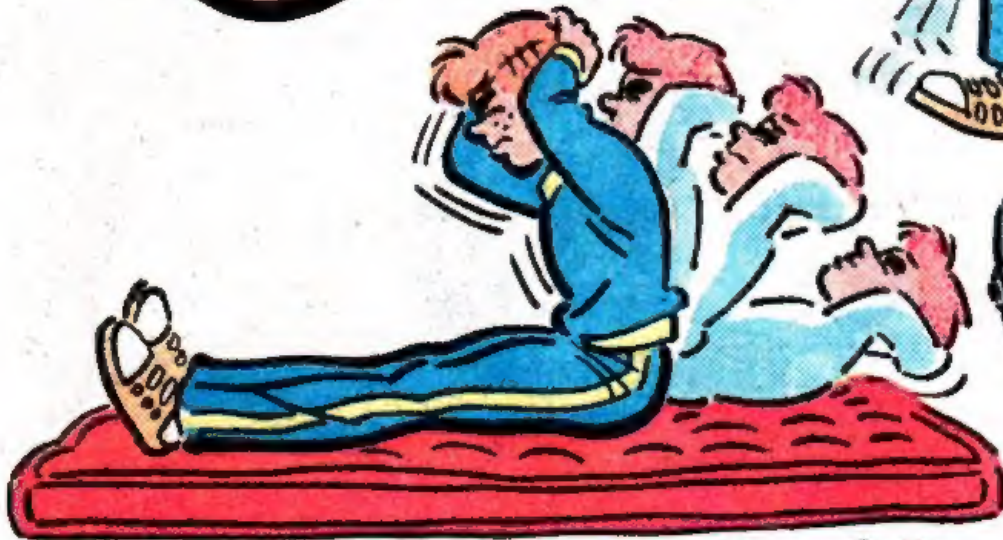


I'M GOING  
TO GET IN  
**TOP  
CONDITION**  
!!!

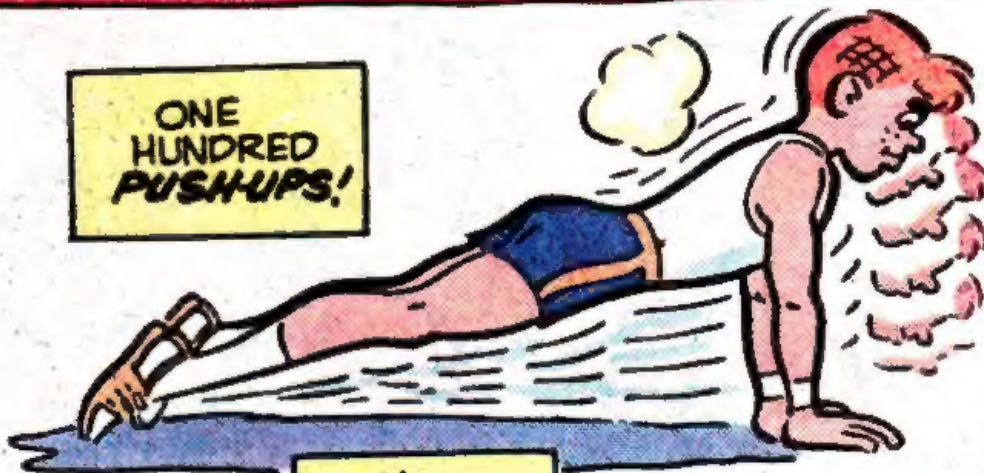
ONE  
HUNDRED  
**SIT-UPS!**



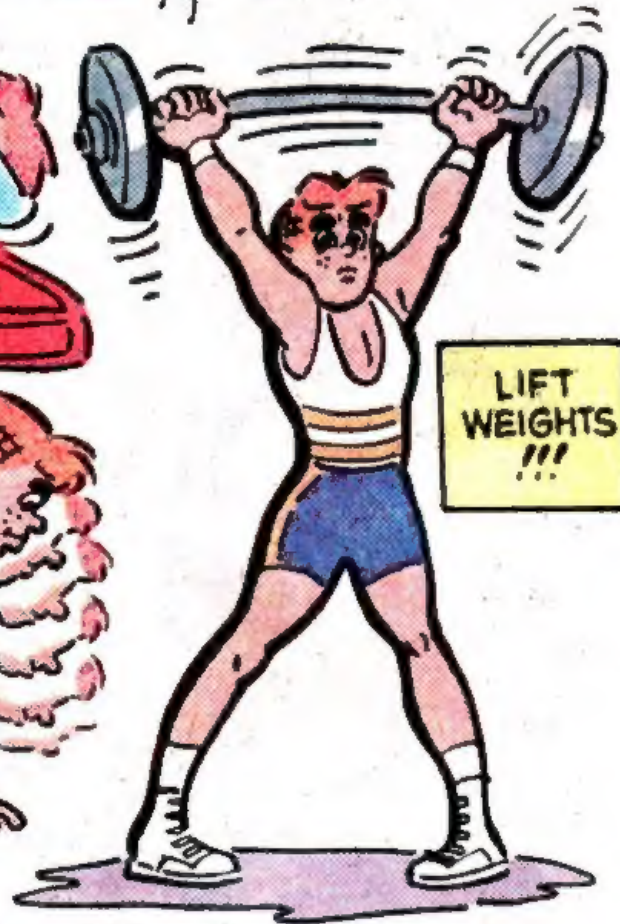
PUFF!  
PUFF!  
FIVE  
MILES A  
DAY!



ONE  
HUNDRED  
**PUSH-UPS!**



NO  
DESSERTS  
!!!



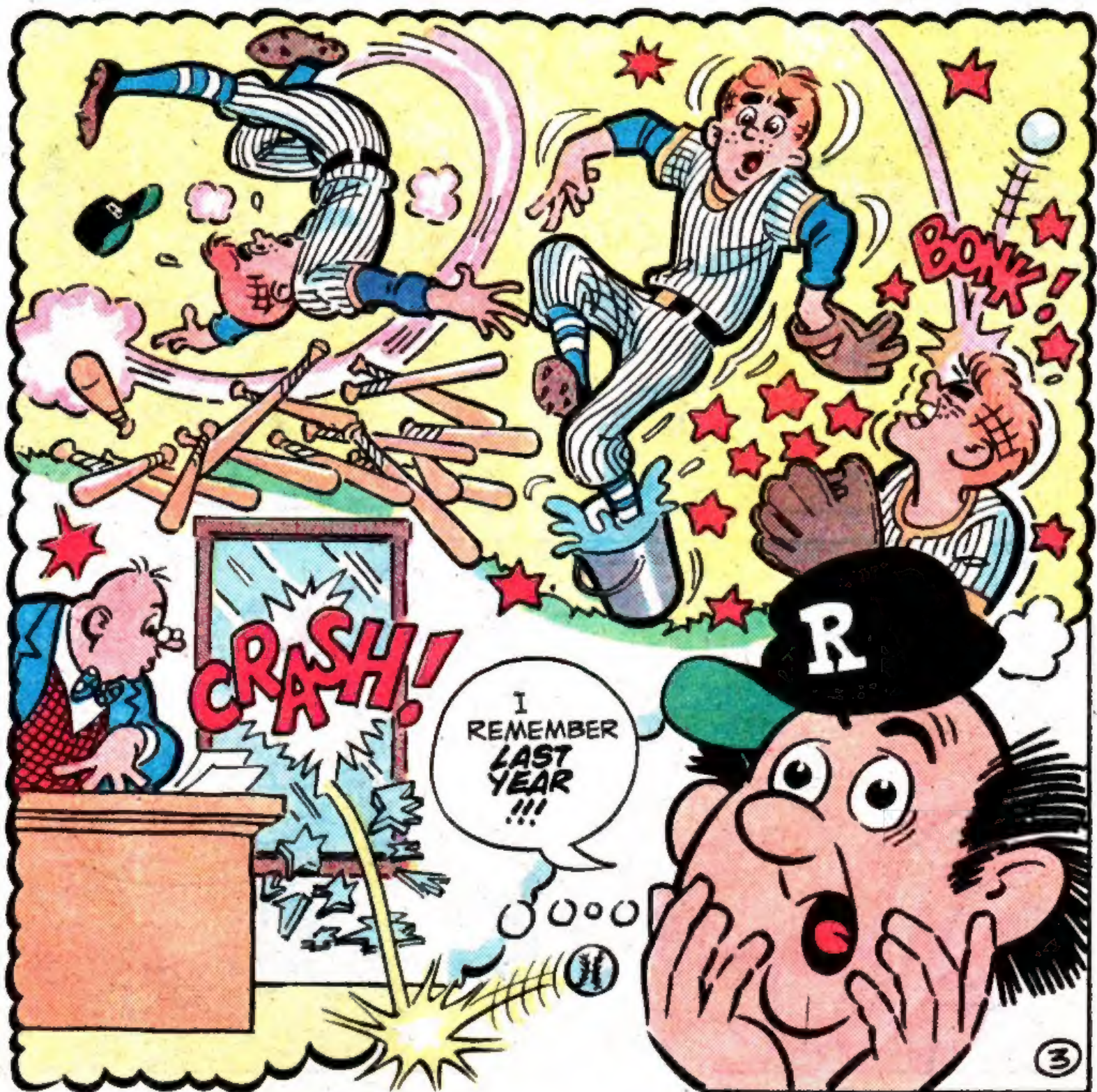
LIFT  
WEIGHTS  
!!!



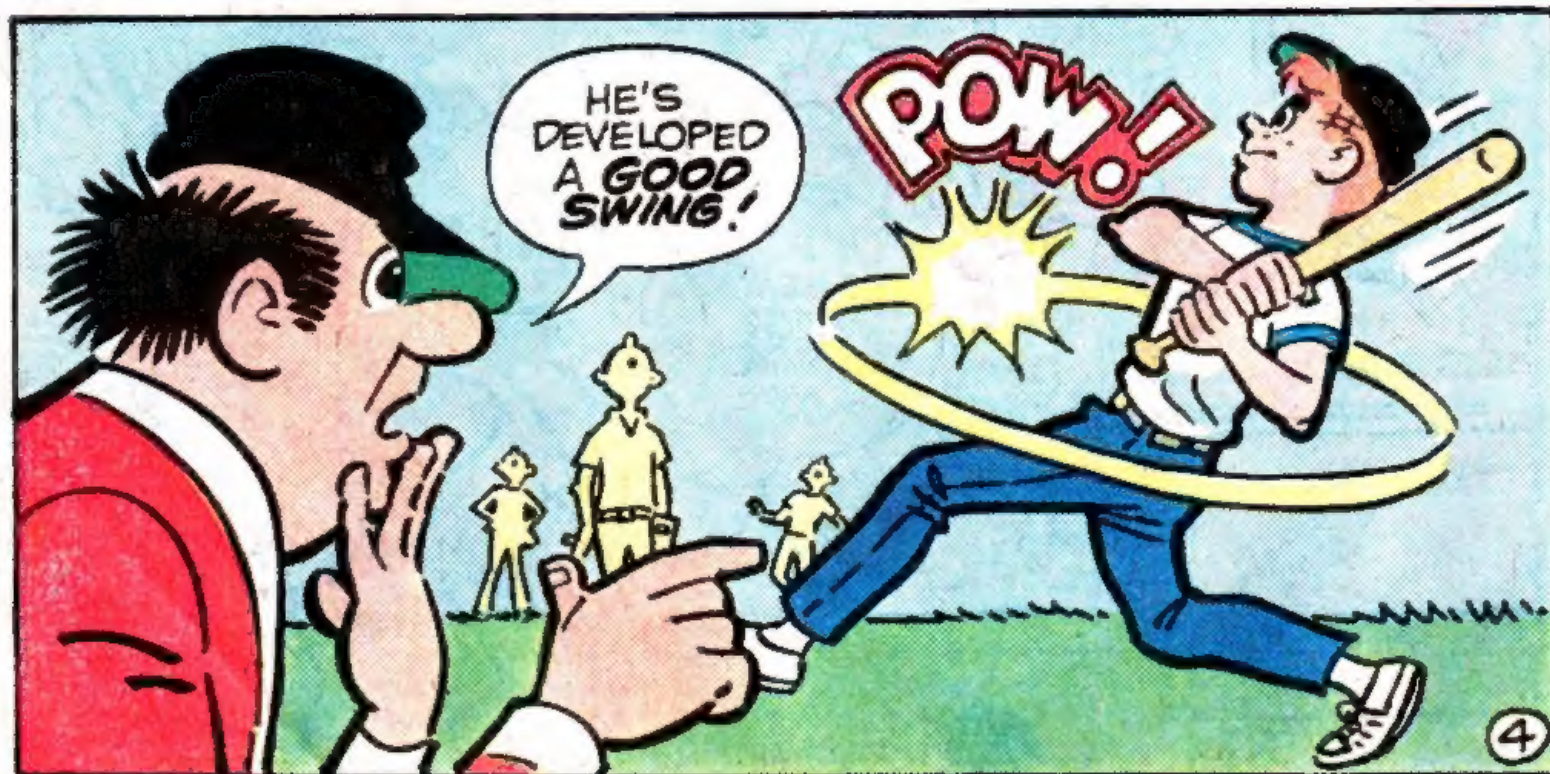
PLENTY  
OF REST  
!!!



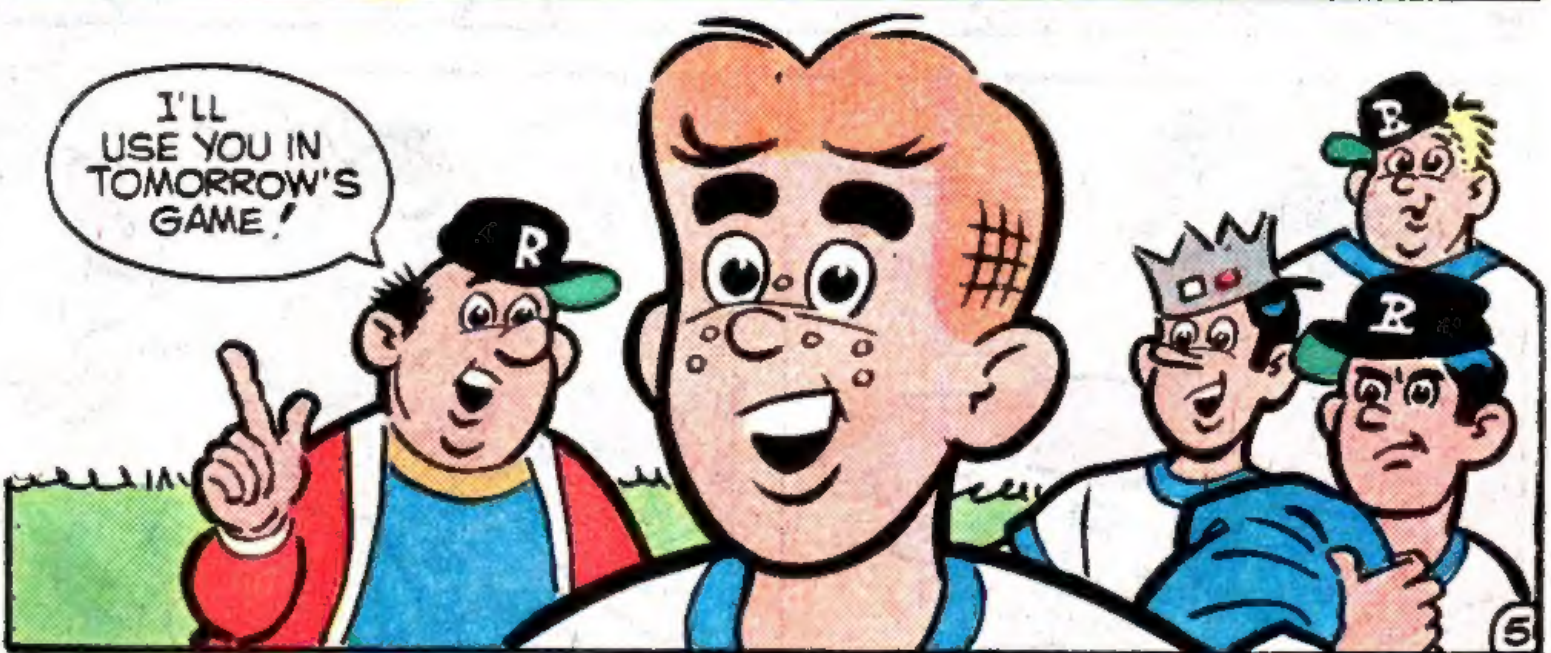










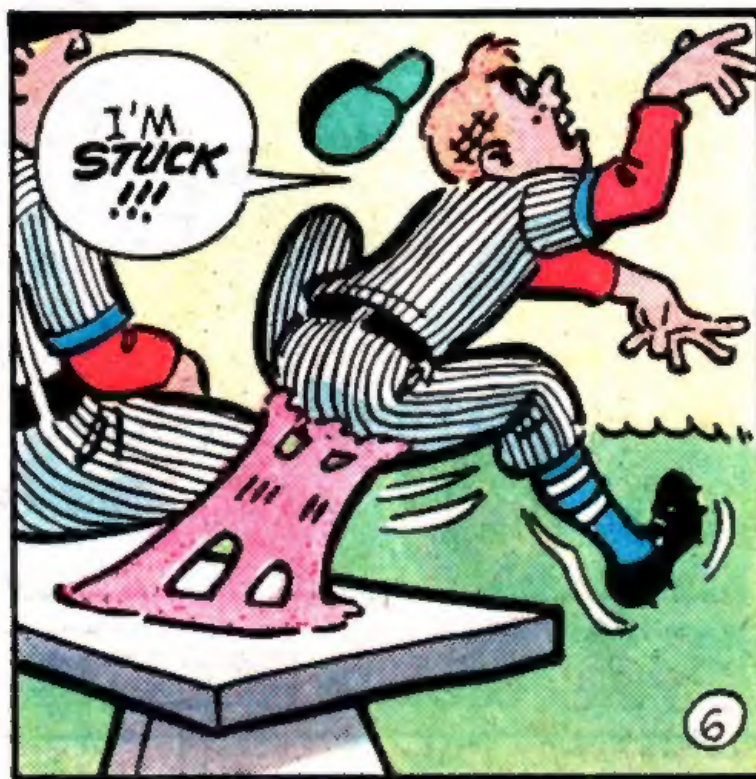
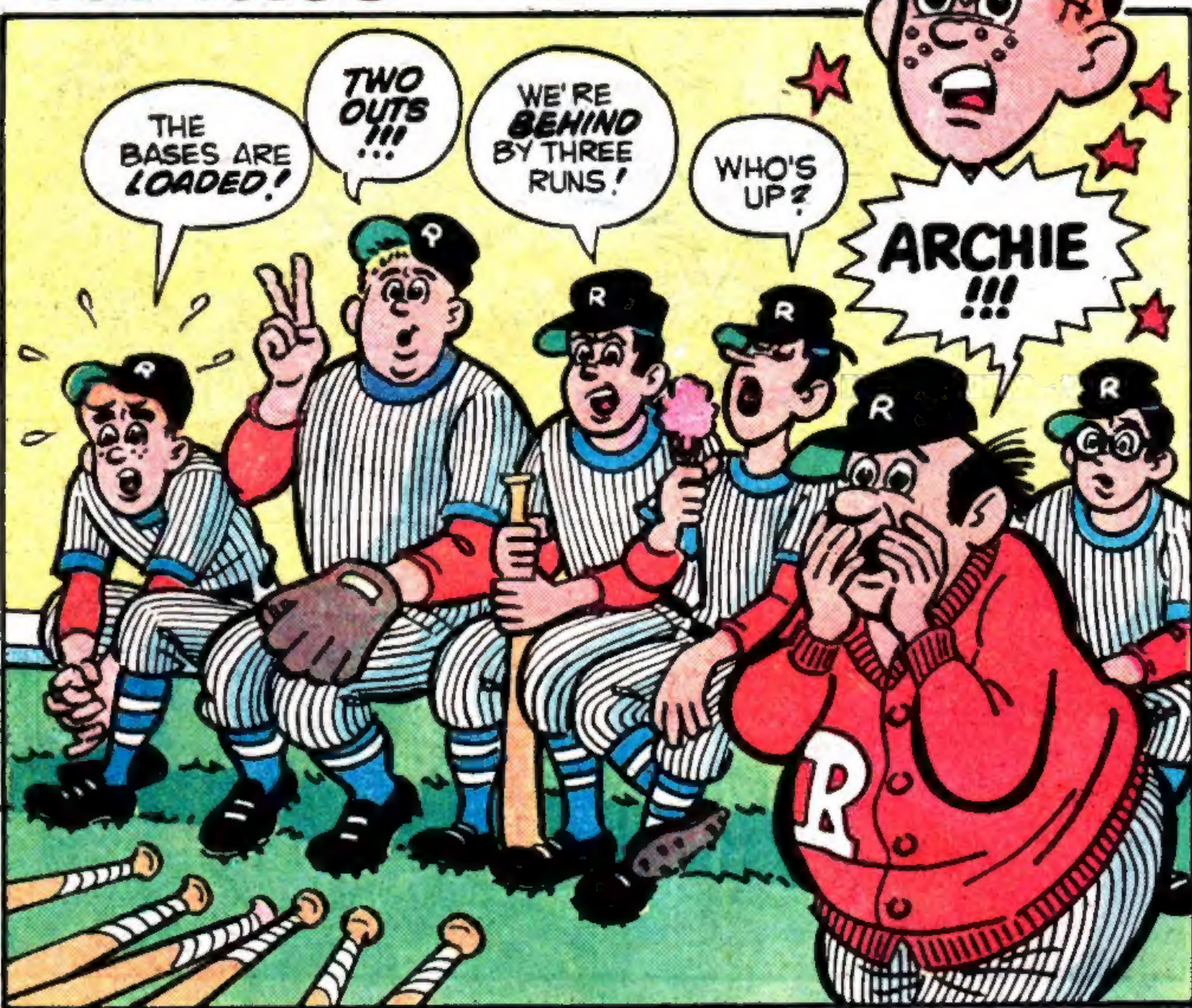


**YOU WON'T BELIEVE WHAT HAPPENS NEXT!**

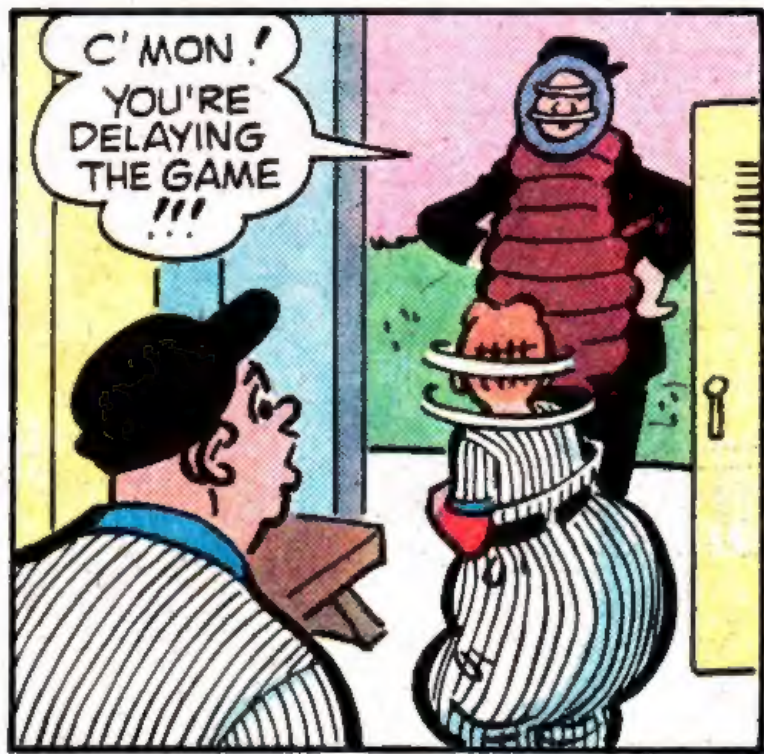
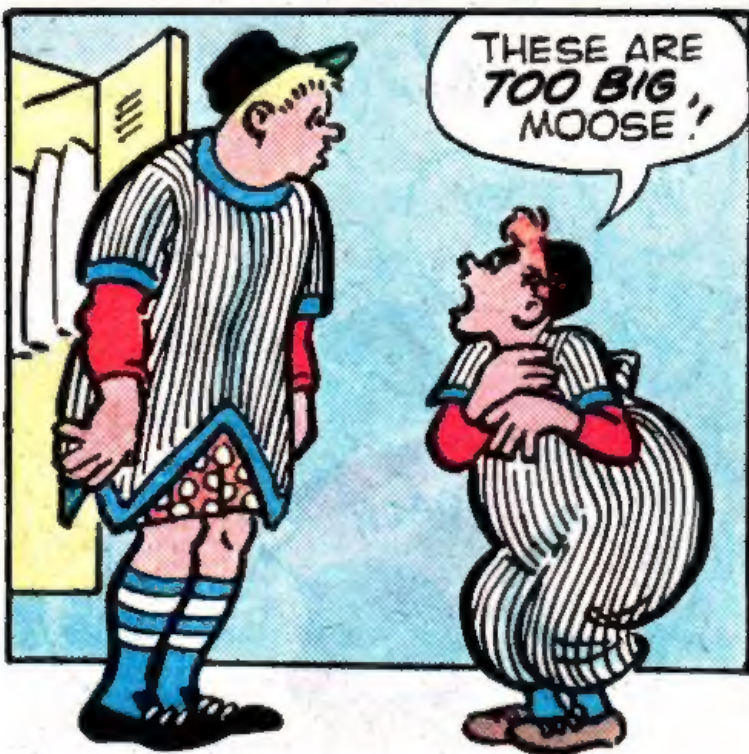


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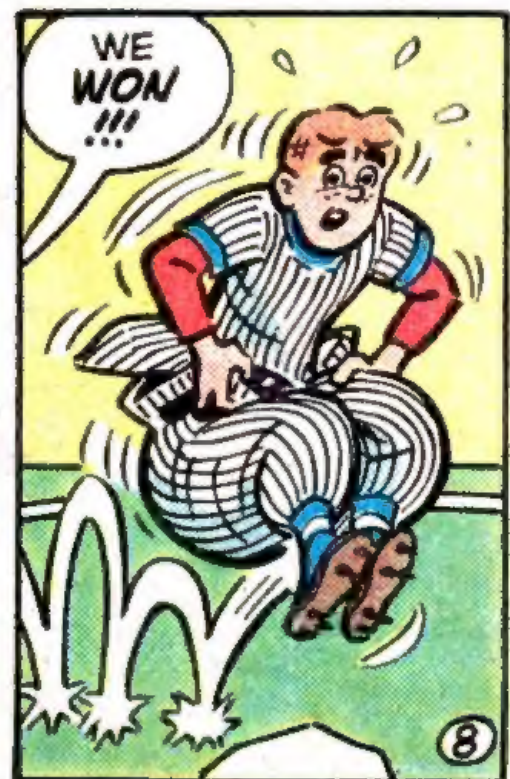
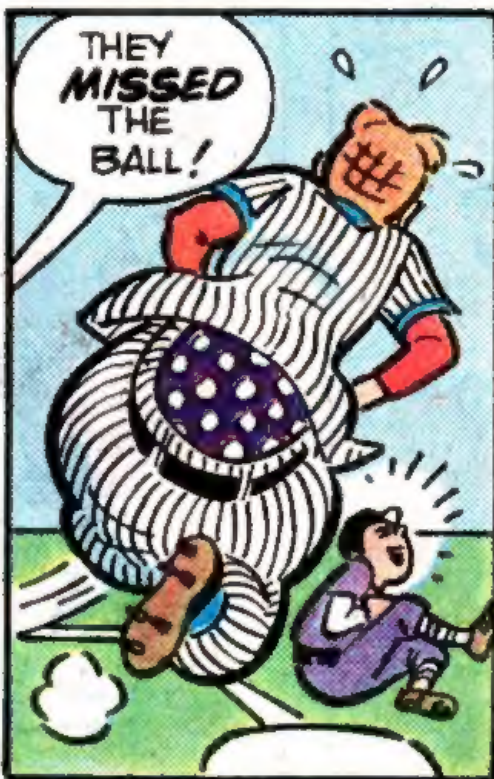
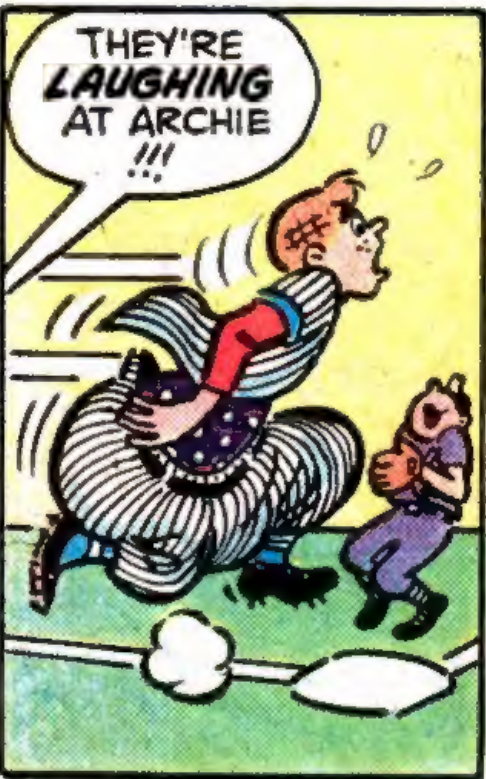
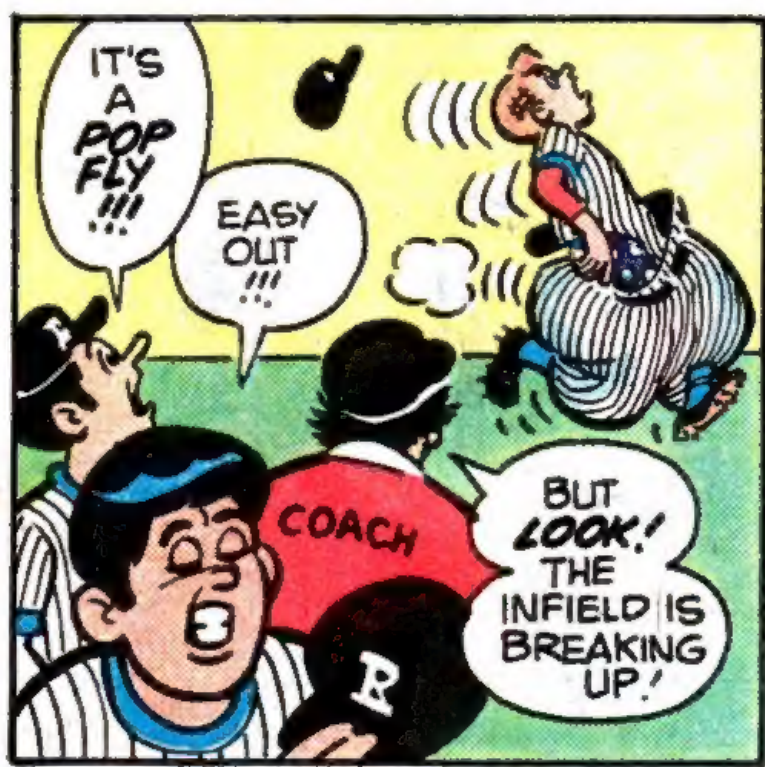
## SILLY SLUGGER!



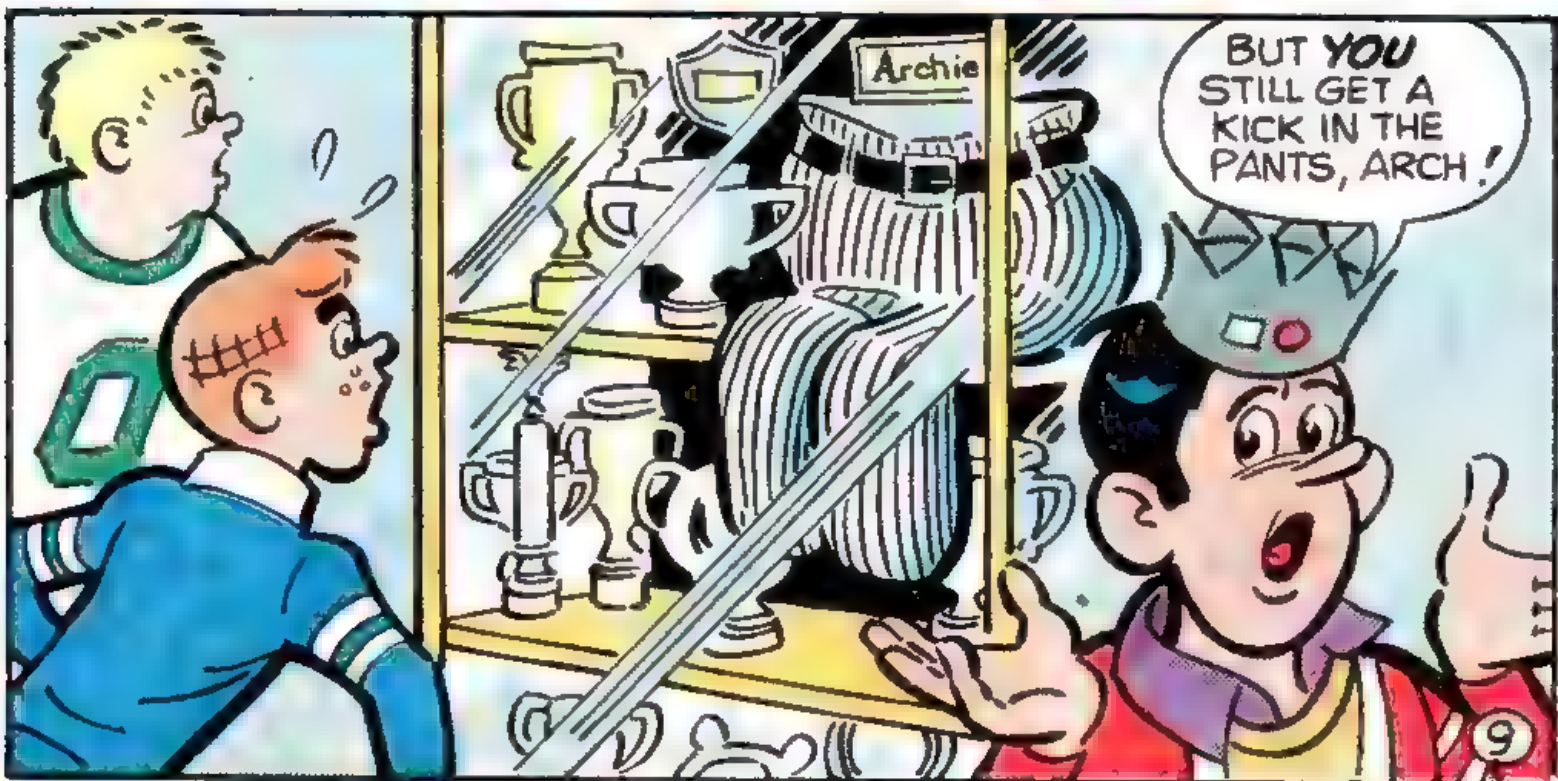
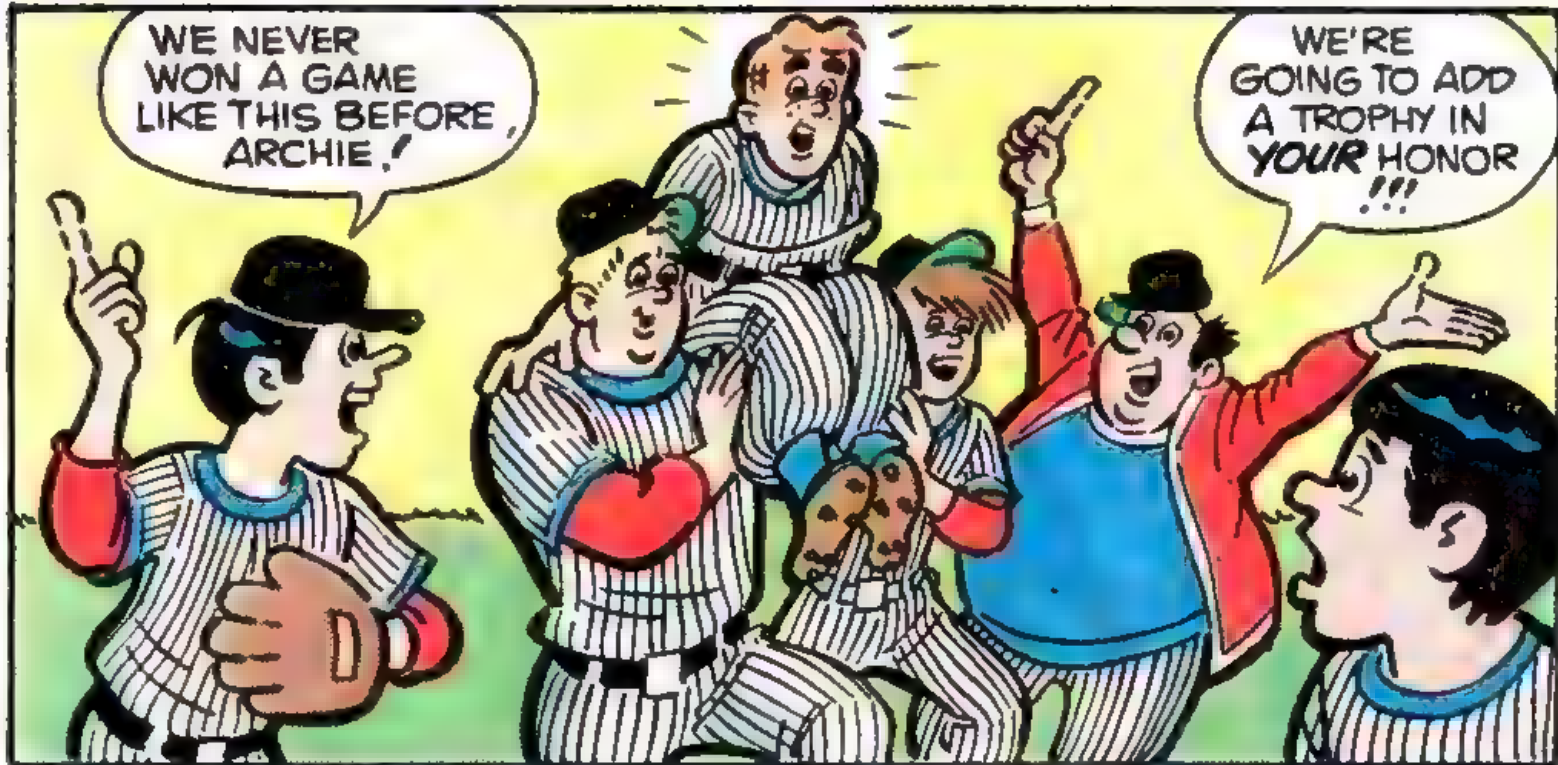




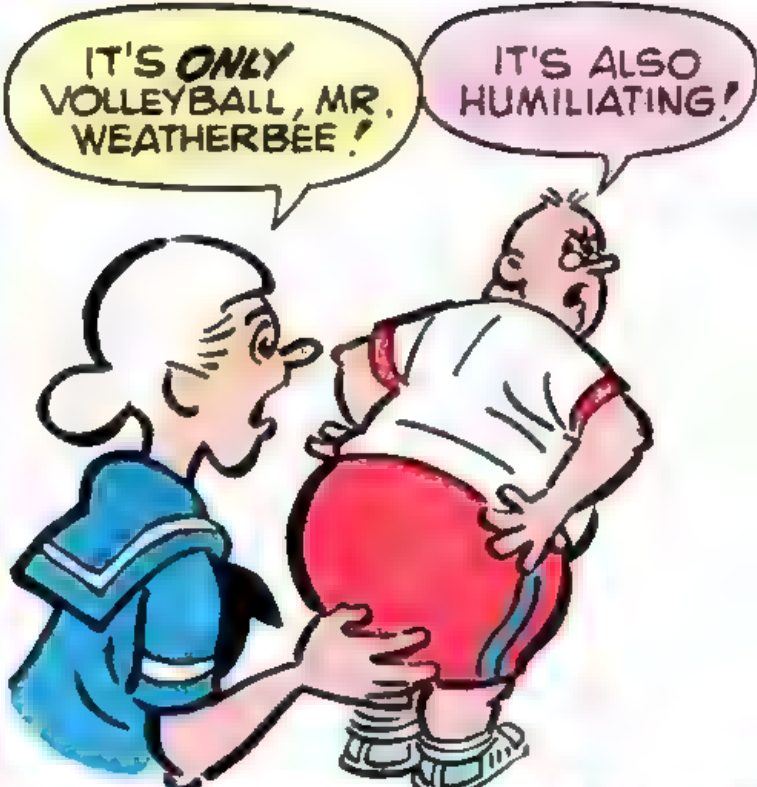




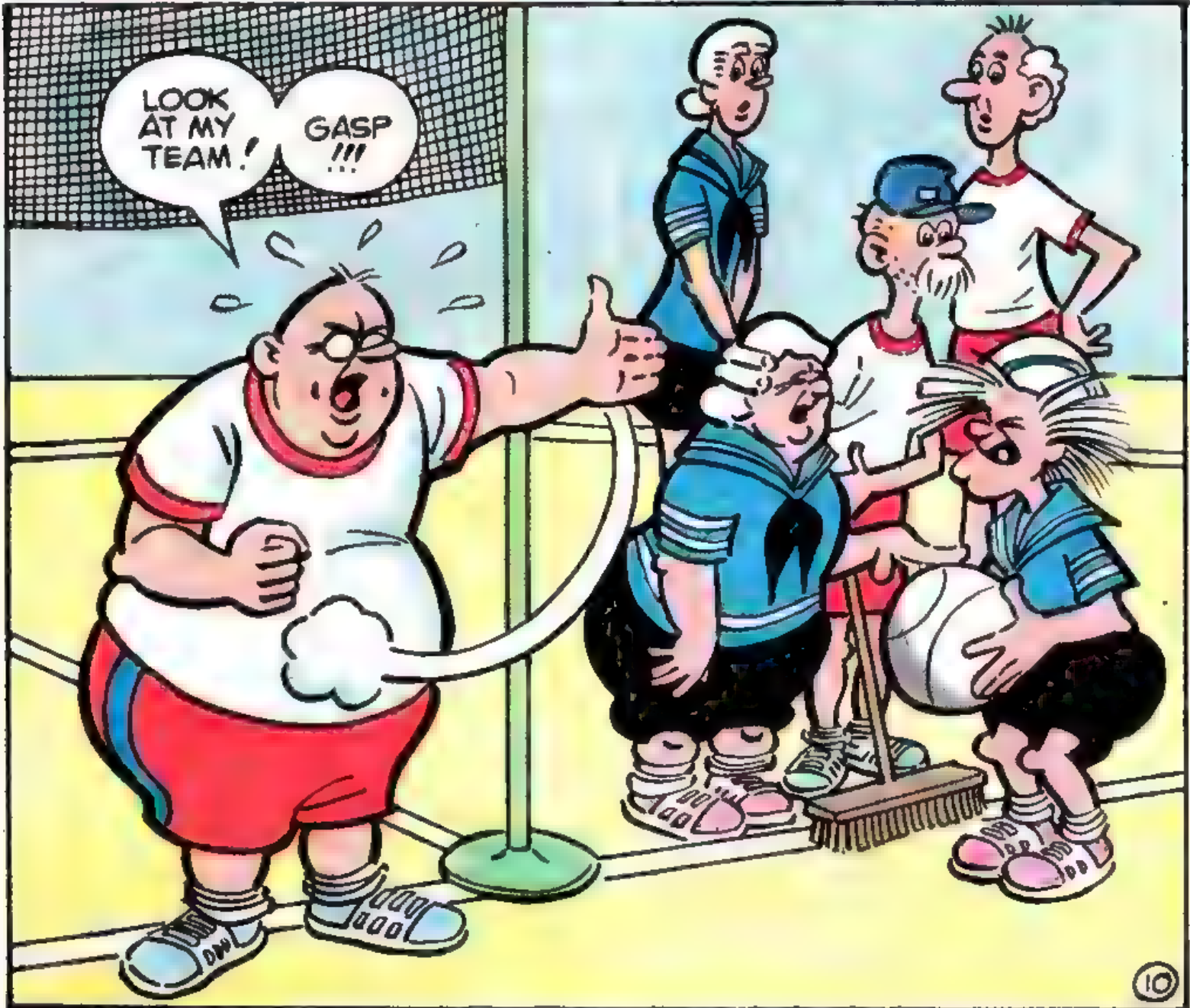




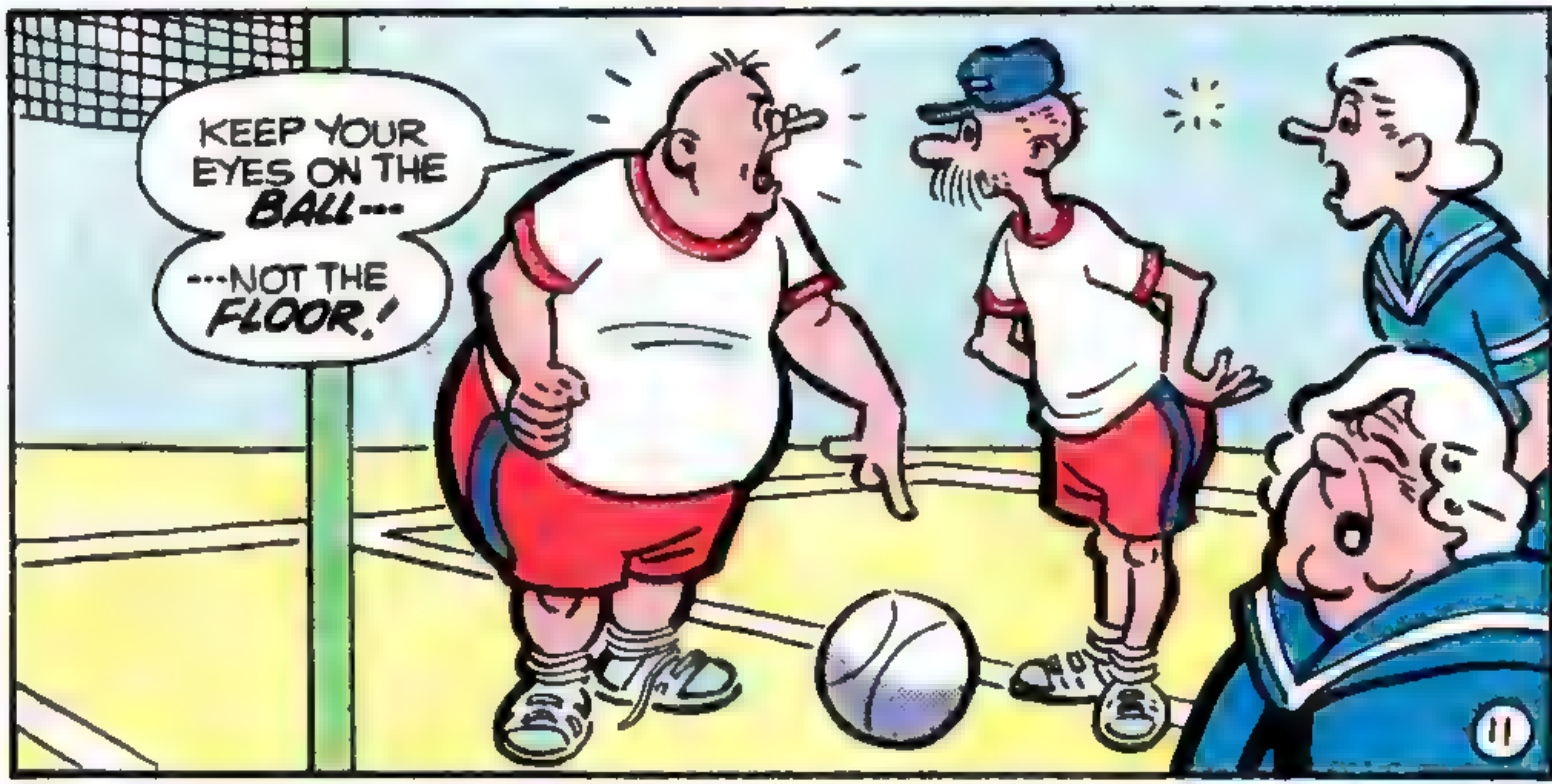




# GOOD OL' MR. WEATHERBEE











VELL,  
MY CHOB  
ISS TO TAKE  
CARE OF DER  
**FLOOR...**  
--NOT  
TO PLAY  
**WALLEYBALL**  
!!!

SVENSON,  
THIS IS NO  
TIME TO CLEAN  
THE FLOOR!

NOW,  
C'MON  
TEAM!

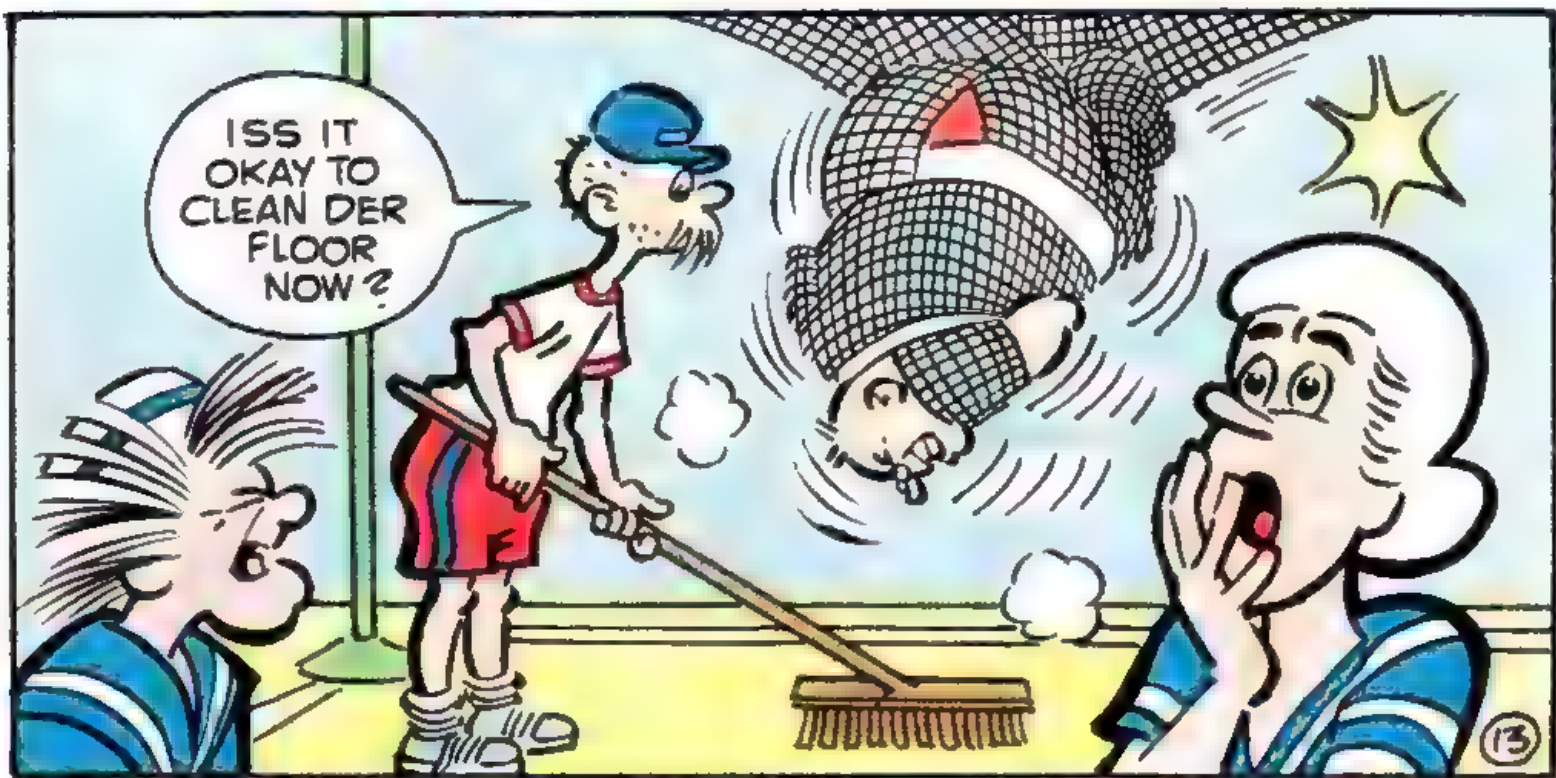
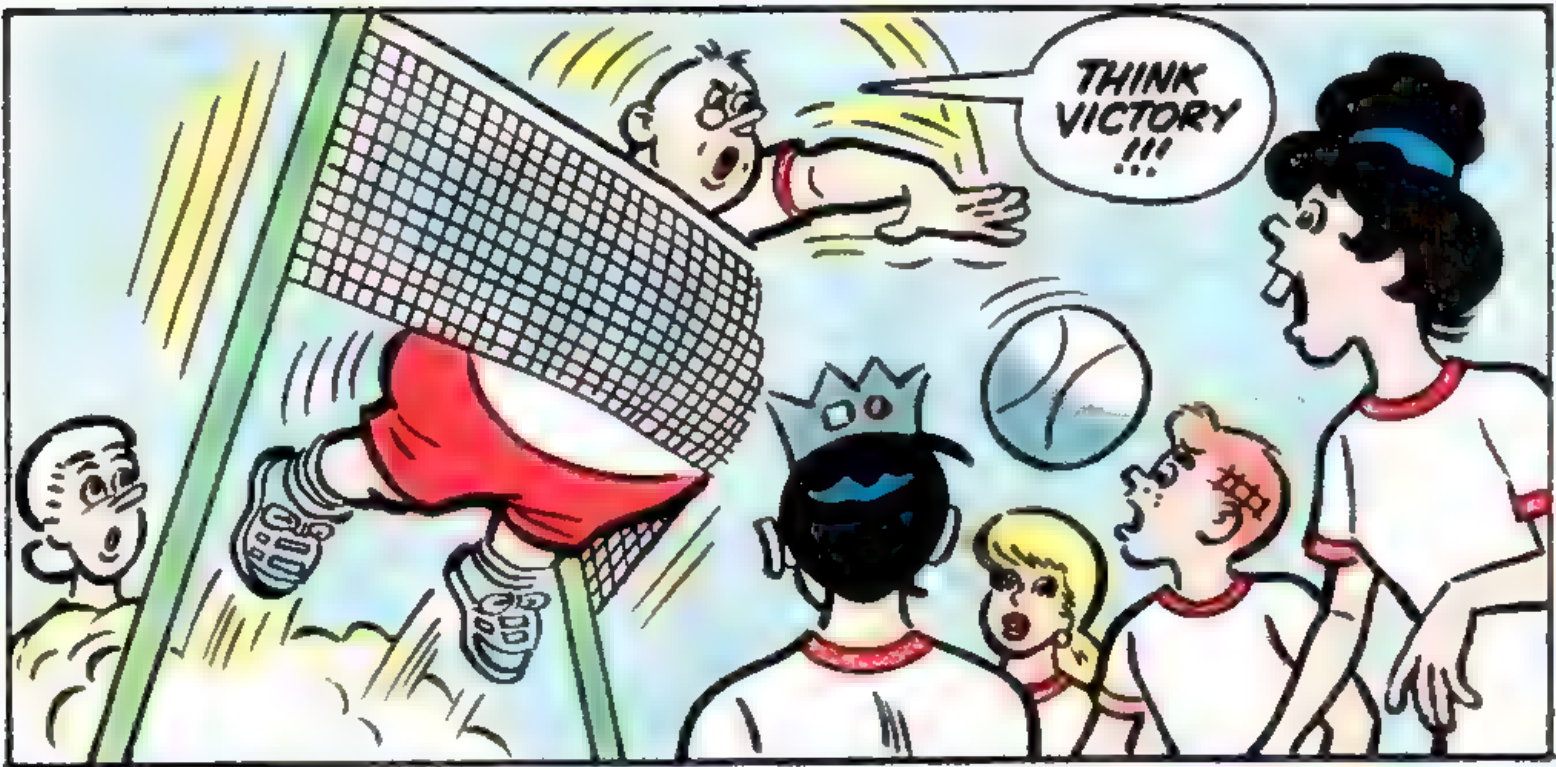
LET'S GET  
OUR ACT  
TOGETHER!

PLAY  
TO WIN  
!!!

GIVE  
THAT  
SECOND  
EFFORT  
!!!

NEVER  
SAY  
DIE  
!!!

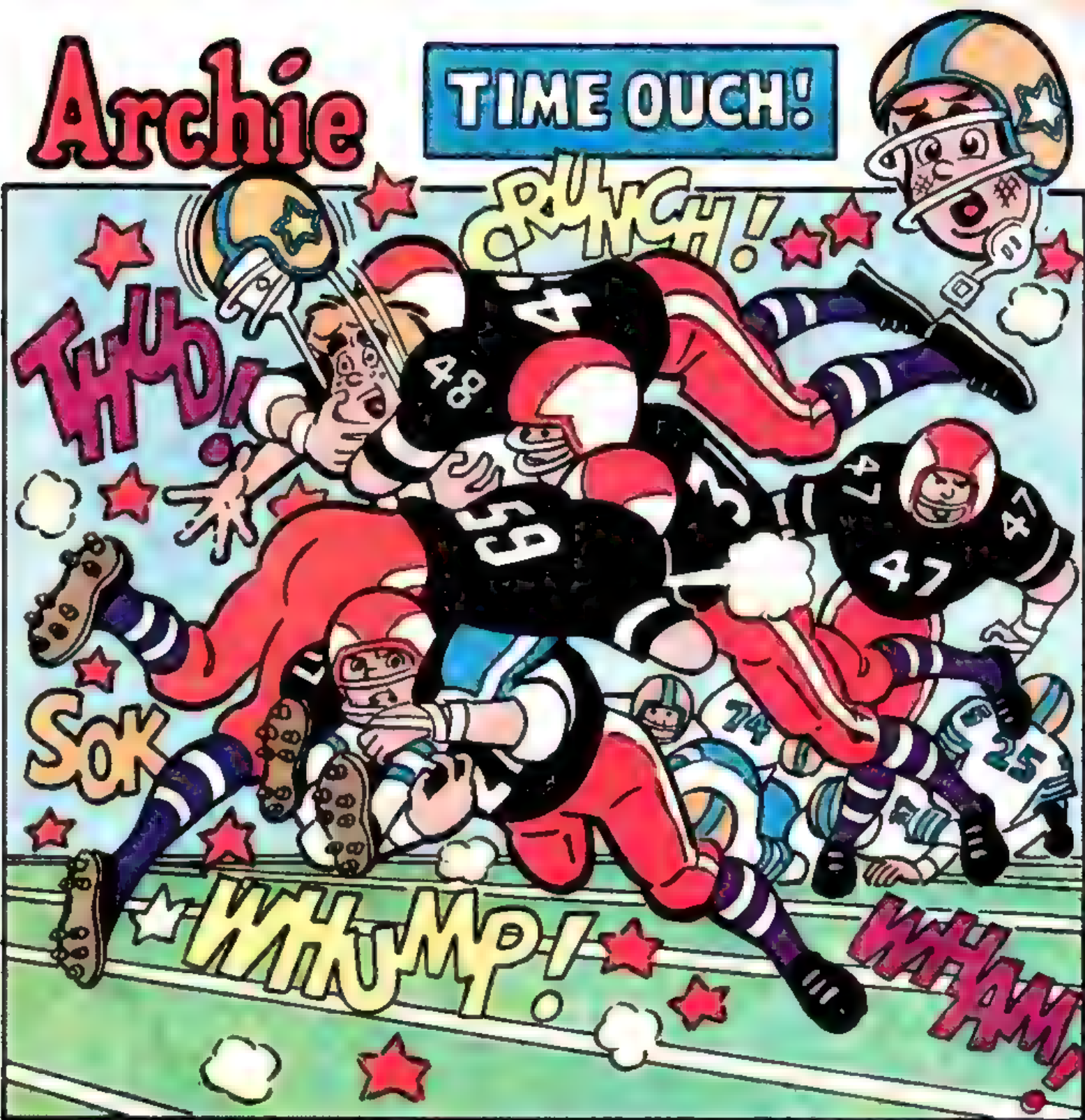






# Archie

TIME OUCH!

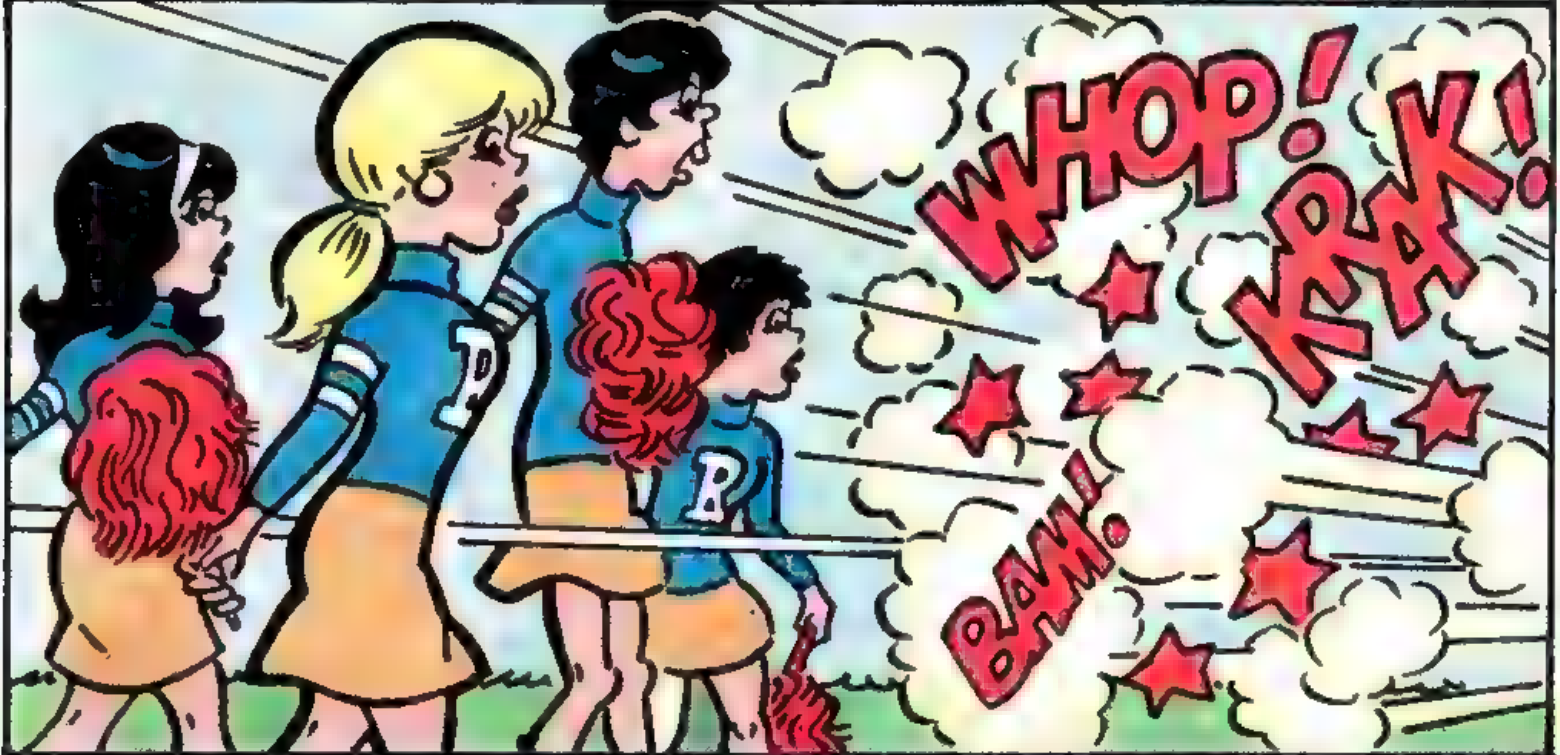


WE'LL  
GIVE ARCHIE  
THE BALL  
AGAIN!

YOU'RE  
KIDDING  
!!!







**TIME OUGH ISN'T OVER YET!**





# SPECIAL SECTION! WE GET

DEAR JUGHEAD:

I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYONE EAT THE WAY YOU DO. IS THERE ANY FOOD YOU DON'T LIKE?

BEN R.  
PHOENIX, ARIZ.

DEAR BEN:

I DIDN'T THINK I'D LIKE OCTOPUS, BUT IT REALLY GRABS YOU.

JUGHEAD

DEAR DILTON:

I NOTICE YOU READ A LOT OF BOOKS. HAVE YOU READ THE BIBLE? IF SO, WHAT WAS YOUR REACTION?

MELISSA R.  
MORAVIA, N.Y.

DEAR MELISSA:

FOR A LONG TIME, I HAD AN INTELLECTUAL BIAS WHICH LED ME TO PERCEIVE THE BIBLE AS AN ANCIENT FAIRY TALE.

HOWEVER, I HAVE RECENTLY GOT INTO THE BIBLE AND CHANGED MY MIND COMPLETELY.

I BELIEVE IT IS THE INSPIRED WORD OF GOD AND SPEAKS THE TRUTH ABOUT LIFE. DILTON

DEAR BETTY:

I WISH ARCHIE WOULD WAKE UP AND SEE WHAT A DOLL YOU ARE. WHY IS THE GRASS ALWAYS GREENER ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE FENCE?

SANDY M.  
LINCOLN, NEB.

DEAR SANDY:

I GUESS WE'RE ALL LIKE ARCHIE, WE OFTEN MISS THE GOOD THINGS RIGHT UNDER OUR NOSES.

THAT'S WHY WE NEED A LIVING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS. HE HELPS US TO SEE THINGS AS THEY REALLY ARE.

BETTY

DEAR BIG MOOSE:

YOU NEVER SEEM TO COME UP WITH ANYTHING CLEVER TO SAY. DO YOU EVER GET ANY GOOD IDEAS?

KAY P.  
BUSBY, MONT

DEAR KAY:

D-UH, I'M THINKING---

BIG MOOSE

DEAR COACH KLEATS:

WHY DOESN'T RIVERDALE HIGH HAVE A SWIM TEAM?

GENE O.  
MALIBU, CAL.

DEAR GENE:

BECAUSE ARCHIE CAN'T DROWN IN ANY OF OUR OTHER SPORTS.

COACH KLEATS!

DEAR PROF. FLUTESNOOT:

EVERY TIME ARCHIE WALKS INTO YOUR CHEMISTRY LAB, I KNOW THAT SOMETHING IS GOING TO HAPPEN.

WHAT'S IT LIKE TO HAVE ARCHIE IN YOUR CLASS?

JANIE H.  
BIRMINGHAM, ALA

DEAR JANIE:

WELL, MY NERVES ARE REALLY JANGLED! EVERY FORMULA ARCHIE MAKES EITHER BLOWS UP OR SMELLS LIKE ROTTEN EGGS. I'VE BEEN THINKING OF TEACHING A SAFER SUBJECT.

PROF. F.

DEAR MR. WEATHERBEE:

I REALLY FEEL FOR YOU! YOU'VE FACED A LOT OF PROBLEMS IN ALL YOUR YEARS AS PRINCIPAL OF RIVERDALE HIGH. I'M GLAD YOU DIDN'T QUIT.

PHIL D.  
JENISON, MICH

DEAR PHIL:

WHEN I STARTED YEARS AGO, MY BIGGEST PROBLEM WAS RUNNING IN THE HALLS. NOW IT'S DRUGS. THAT'S WHY I'M GLAD FOR ARCHIE AND GANG. THEY GET THEIR VALUES FROM GOD.

MR. W.





# SPECIAL SECTION! LETTERS!

DEAR  
REGGIE

YOU'RE  
TOO MUCH!  
ALL YOU THINK  
OF IS YOURSELF  
AND HOW GREAT YOU  
ARE!

YOU NEVER SEEM  
TO CARE ABOUT OTHERS!  
DON'T YOU HAVE ANY  
SENSE OF TEAMWORK?

CLARICE S.  
ORLANDO, FL.

DEAR CLARICE:

I GUESS I DO COME  
ON PRETTY STRONG!  
BUT, LET'S FACE IT, I AM  
THE GREATEST! IF I  
EVER GET HUMBLE, I'LL  
BE SURE TO LET YOU  
KNOW! REGGIE

DEAR MISS  
GRUNDY:

YOU  
ALWAYS STAY  
COOL, EVEN WHEN MR.  
WEATHERBEE BLOWS  
HIS TOP! HOW DO YOU  
DO IT? KRISTEN R.  
TORONTO, ONTARIO

DEAR KRISTEN:

I COULDN'T DO IT  
ALONE! MY LORD JESUS  
IS VERY REAL TO ME  
AND HE KEEPS MY  
EMOTIONS UNDER  
CONTROL! OTHERWISE  
ARCHIE WOULD PROBABLY  
DRIVE ME UP THE WALL!

MISS GRUNDY

DEAR  
ARCHIE:

I'M A LOT LIKE  
YOU! I DON'T LOOK  
FOR TROUBLE, BUT IT  
ALWAYS SEEMS TO  
FIND ME! IN THE  
COMICS IT'S FUNNY,  
BUT IN REAL LIFE IT  
HURTS!

HOW DO YOU FEEL  
DEEP DOWN INSIDE  
WHEN YOU MESS UP  
SO MUCH?

RAY T.  
GRAND RAPIDS, MI.

DEAR RAY:

I FEEL THE SAME  
WAY YOU DO! NO ONE  
WANTS TO MAKE A  
MISTAKE AND HAVE  
PEOPLE MOCK YOU OUT!  
IT'S DIFFERENT WITH  
JESUS! HE FORGIVES  
OUR MISTAKES WHEN  
WE'RE SORRY AND HE  
LIFTS US UP WHEN WE'RE  
DOWN! ARCHIE

DEAR  
VERONICA:

YOU  
HAVE ALL  
THE THINGS  
EVERYONE DREAMS  
ABOUT, BUT YOU REALLY  
DON'T SEEM HAPPY!  
BETTY HAS A LOT MORE  
JOY AND LOVE THAN YOU.  
DO YOU KNOW WHAT  
I MEAN?

OTTO B.  
BISMARCK, N.D.

DEAR OTTO:

I THOUGHT I WAS  
HAVING FUN, FILLING MY  
LIFE WITH ALL THE THINGS  
MONEY CAN BUY, BUT MY  
FRIEND BETTY IS RIGHT!  
ONLY GOD CAN FILL A  
LIFE WITH TRUE JOY!  
VERONICA

DEAR MISS  
BEAZLY:

I NEVER  
TASTED YOUR  
COOKING!  
IS IT AS BAD AS  
EVERYONE SAYS IT IS?

MABEL S.  
AMARILLO, TEX

DEAR MABEL:

OF COURSE NOT! I  
PUT MY HEART INTO MY  
COOKING AND IT REALLY  
HURTS WHEN FOLKS  
TURN UP THEIR NOSES!  
MAYBE YOU COULD SEND  
ME SOME RECIPES!

MISS BEAZLY

DEAR  
BIG ETHEL:

DON'T LET  
ANYONE CALL  
YOU UGLY! GOD  
MADE YOU AND  
HE DON'T MAKE NO JUNK!  
YOU'RE BEAUTIFUL!

NICK T.  
BRONX, N.Y.

DEAR NICK:

YOU REALLY MADE  
MY DAY!

BIG ETHEL

DEAR READER:

I DIDN'T GET  
ANY LETTERS  
AT ALL !!!

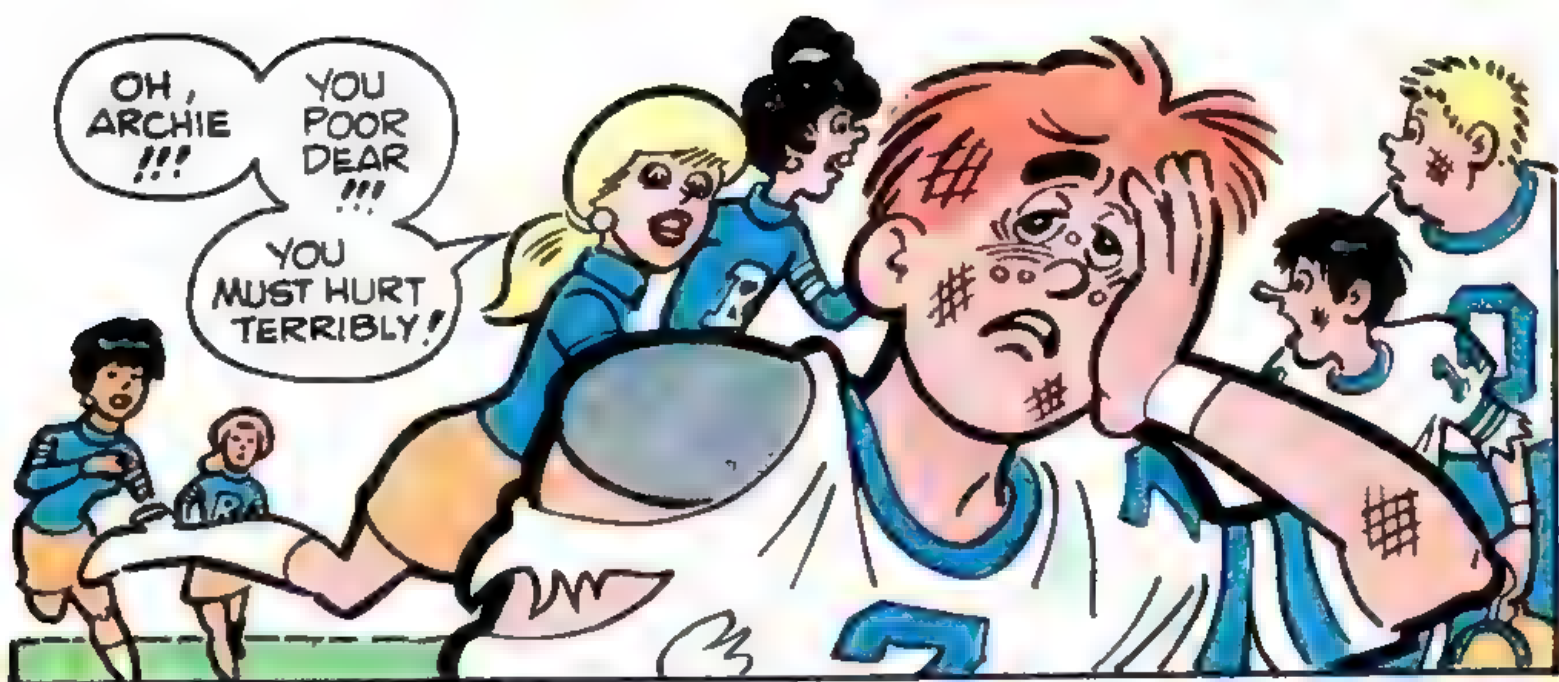
MR. SVENSEN

DEAR READER:

I DIDN'T GET  
ANY LETTERS  
EITHER!

MISS HAGGLY

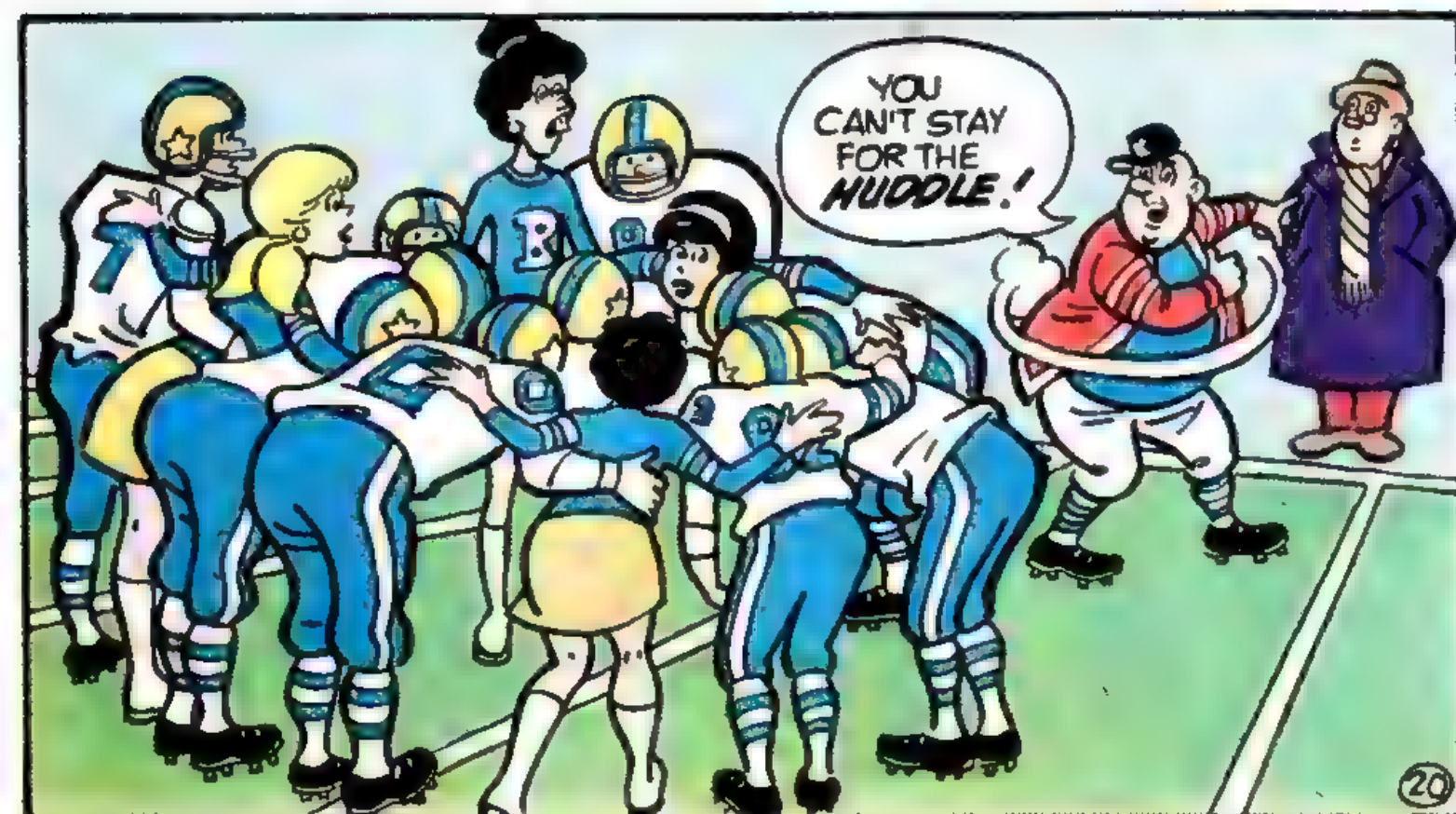








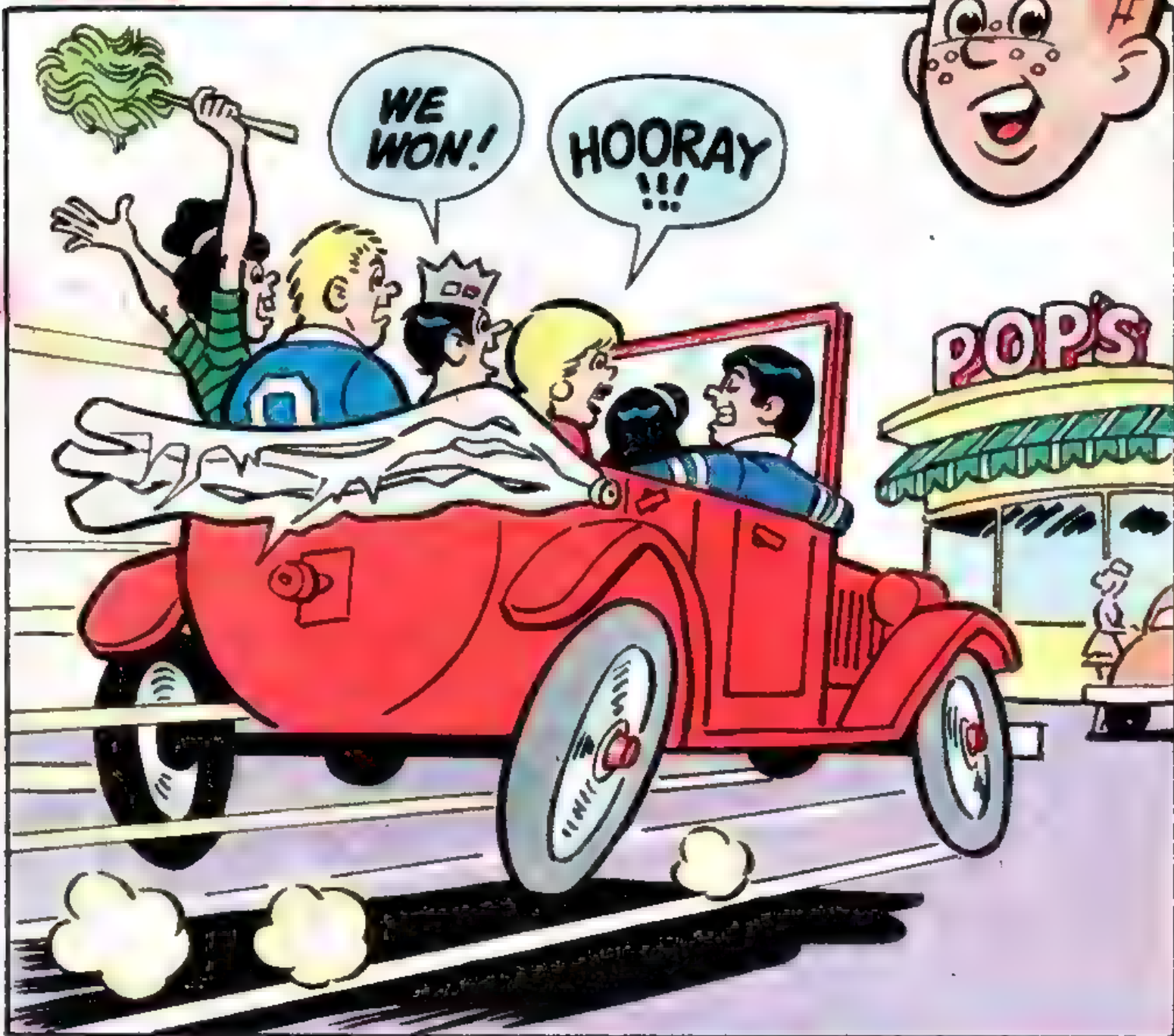






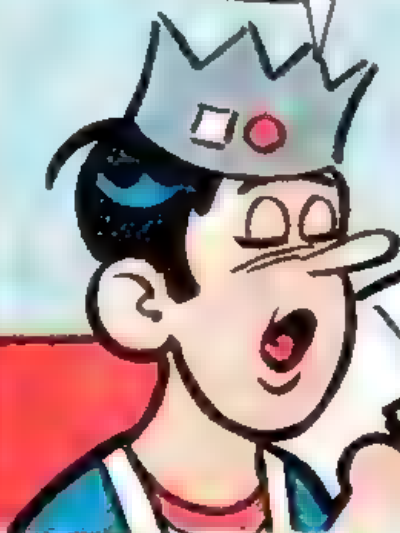
# Archie

## THE WINNERS!

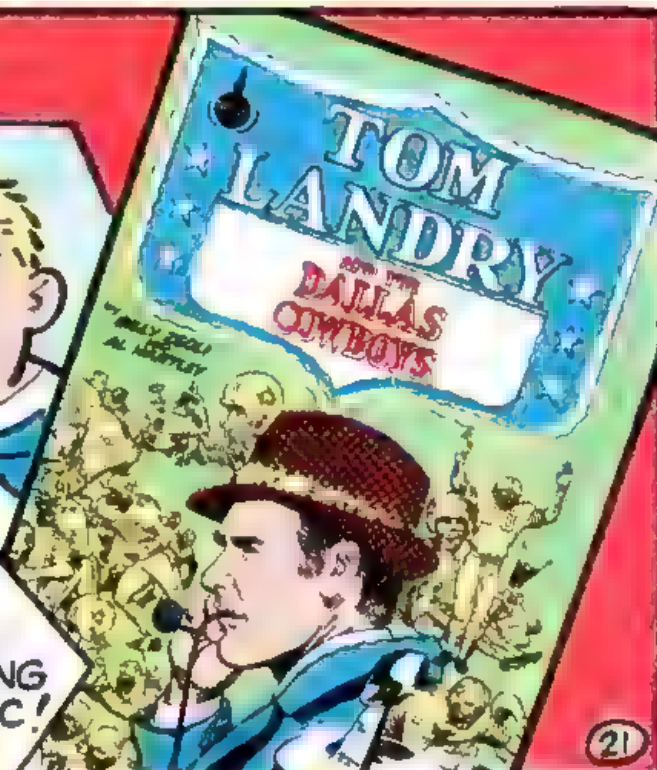


VICTORIES  
ARE SORT OF LIKE  
HAMBURGERS...

...THEY DON'T  
LAST LONG \*  
!!!



\* SEE THIS  
BEST SELLING  
SPIRE COMIC!





YOU CAN PUT  
JUNK ON YOUR  
**HAMBURGER**---

---BUT DON'T  
SPOIL OUR  
**VICTORY!**



I THINK  
IT'S MORE  
IMPORTANT  
HOW YOU  
**PLAY THE**  
**GAME!**



WELL,  
IT'S  
**TRUE**  
!!!

IF **WINNING**  
IS ALL THAT  
COUNTS, YOU CAN  
BE A **HERO** ONE  
WEEK ---

---AND  
A **BUM**  
THE  
NEXT!



SOME PLAYERS  
WIN BY  
**CHEATING!**

WHAT KIND  
OF VICTORY  
IS THAT?



I GUESS  
IT DEPENDS  
ON THE  
**SCORE-**  
**KEEPER**  
!!!



IF  
YOU  
PLAY  
**GOD'S**  
WAY  
YOU'LL  
BE A  
**WINNER**  
!!!







BETTY,  
WHY DO YOU  
ALWAYS BRING  
GOD INTO  
THINGS?



WE WERE  
TALKING ABOUT  
**HAMBURGERS AND  
WINNING**---

---AND ALL OF  
A SUDDEN  
**YOU'RE  
TALKING  
ABOUT  
GOD!**



ONLY GOD  
CAN MAKE US  
REAL WINNERS,  
VERONICA!

I  
CAN'T FORGET  
HIM!



YOU TALK  
AS IF GOD IS A  
**PERSONAL FRIEND  
OF YOURS!**

HE  
IS!



WHEN I JOG,  
I THANK HIM  
FOR THE AIR  
I BREATHE!

WHEN I  
EAT, I THANK  
GOD FOR MY  
FOOD!

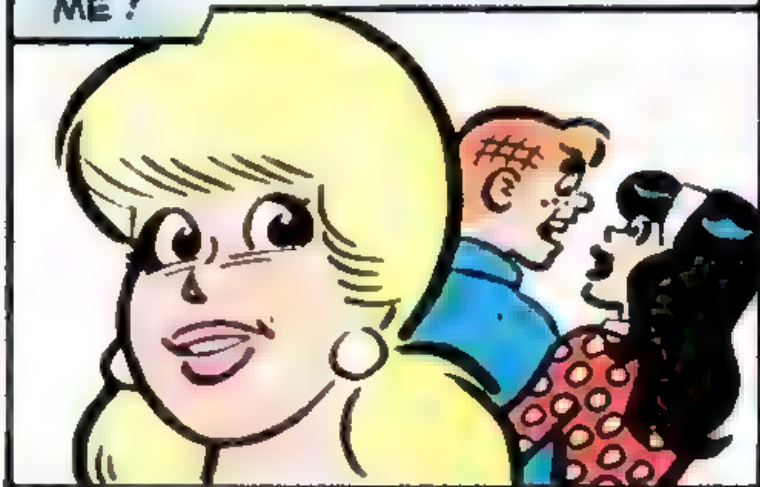
I THANK HIM  
FOR MY HEALTHY  
BODY!

AND A  
HEALTHY MIND  
AND SPIRIT!

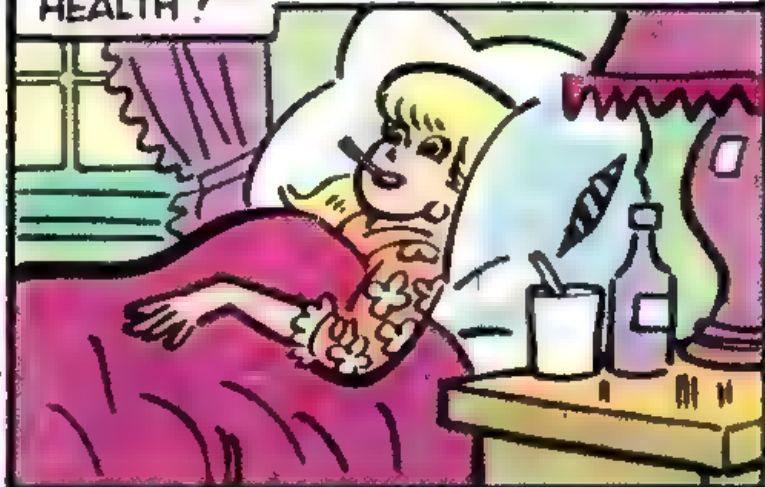
I THANK HIM  
FOR FRIENDS WHO  
CARE FOR ME!



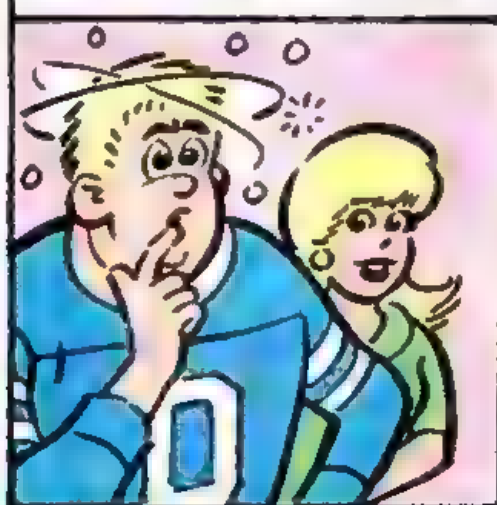
WHEN I'M HURT, GOD COMFORTS ME!



WHEN I'M SICK, HE RESTORES MY HEALTH!



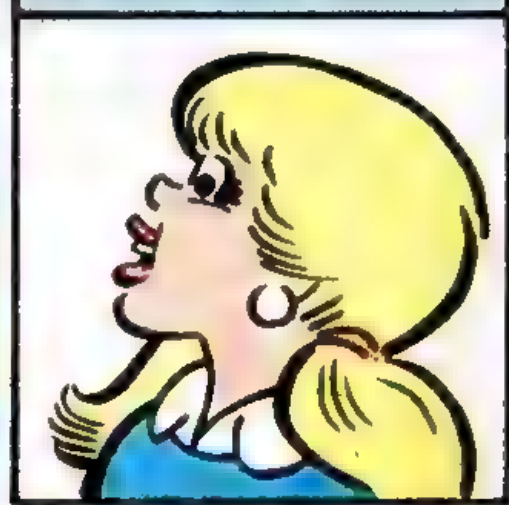
HE GIVES ME PATIENCE!



HE HELPS ME TO BE KIND!



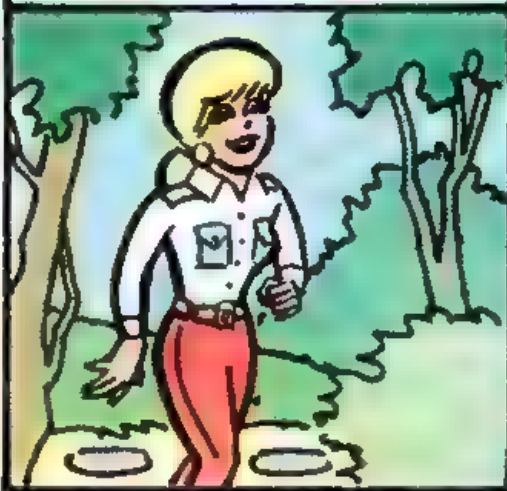
HE PREVENTS JEALOUSY!



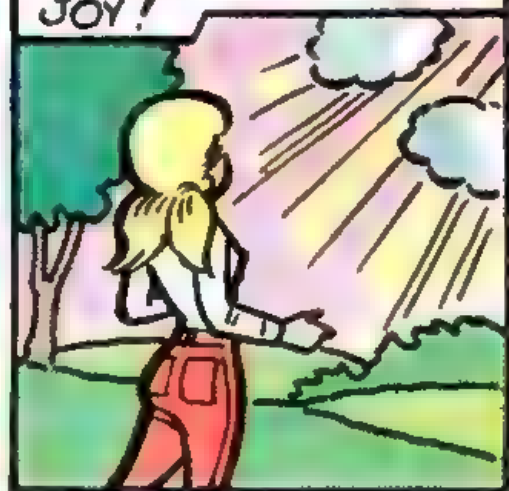
HE PREVENTS ANGER!



HE IS ALWAYS WITH ME!



HE GIVES ME LOVE AND JOY!



DID YOU KNOW THAT BETTY IS GOING STEADY WITH JESUS?



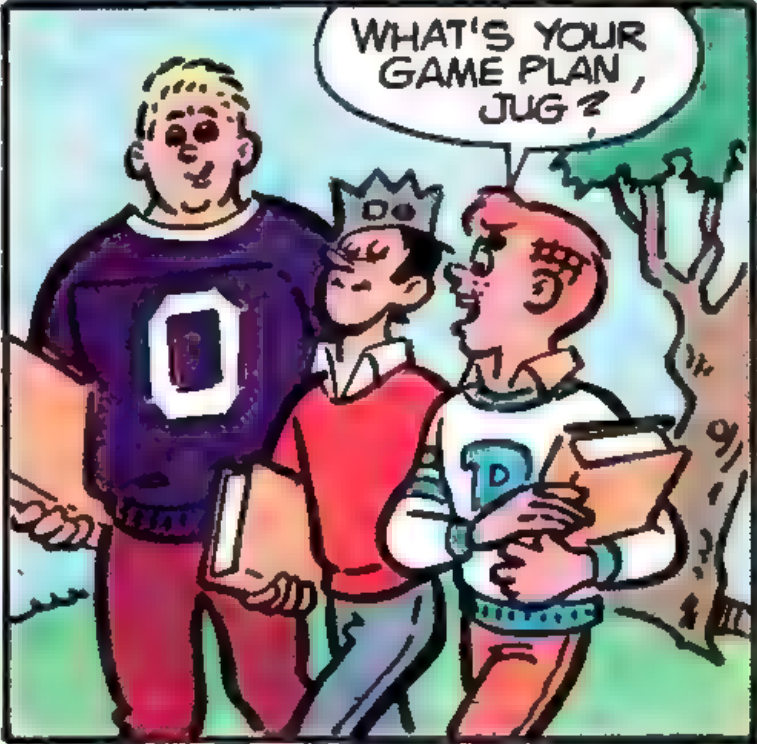
WHAT A BEAUTIFUL WORLD IT WOULD BE IF EVERYONE DID!!!



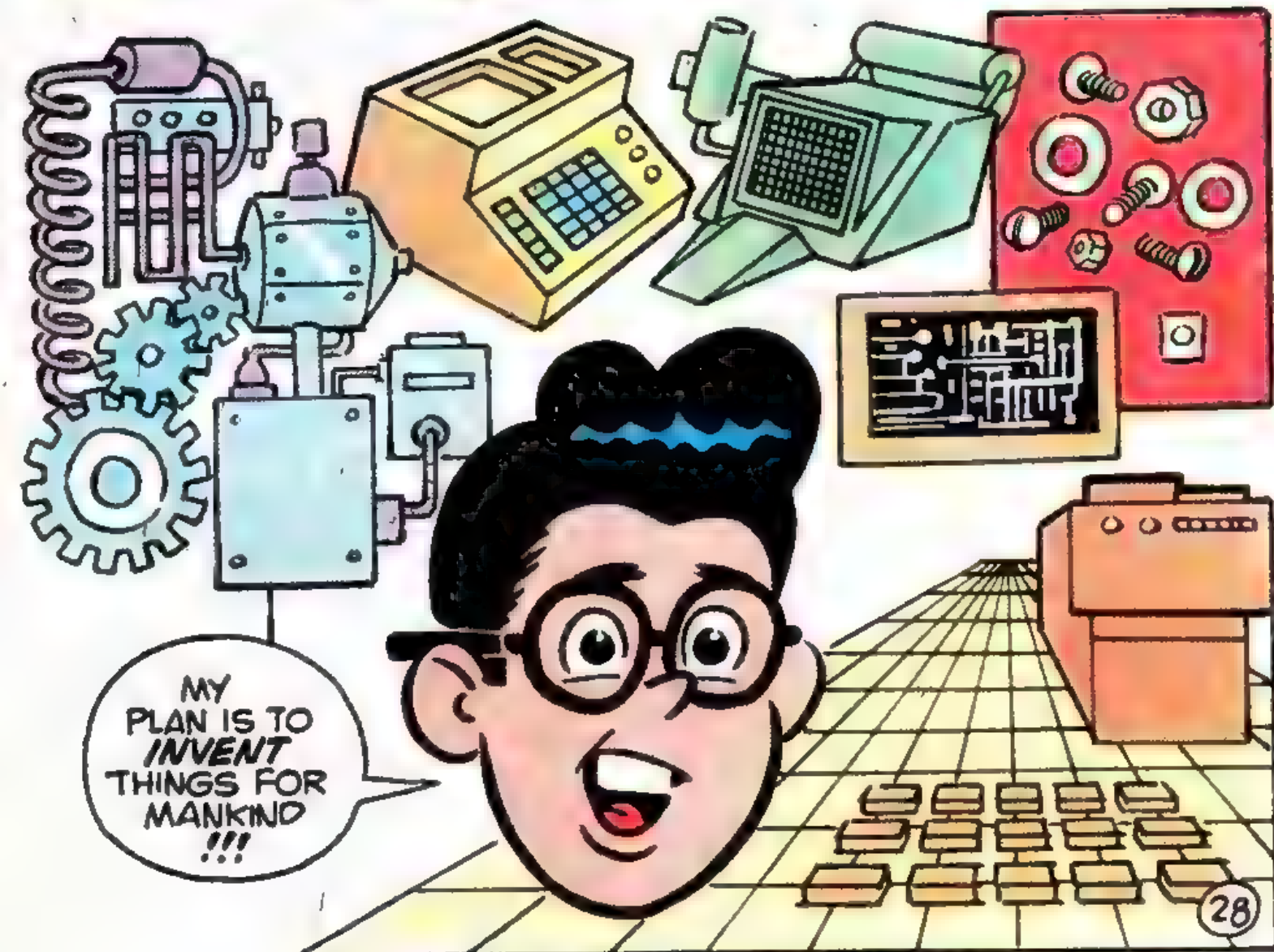
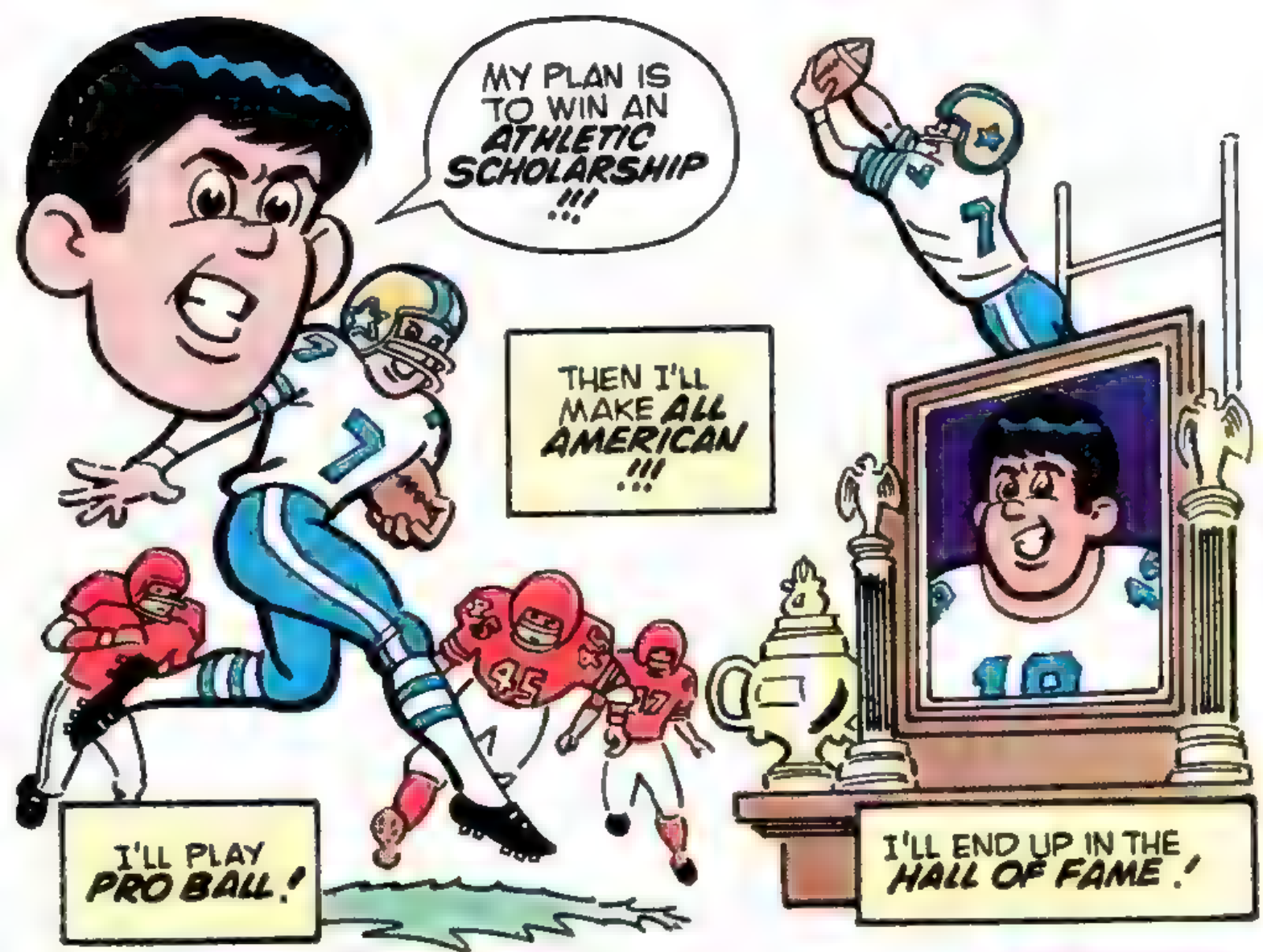
## THE GAME PLAN!













MY  
GAME  
PLAN  
IS TO  
WORK  
WITH  
KIDS  
!!!



SO MANY  
ARE LONELY  
TODAY---

---I WANT THEM TO  
KNOW SOMEONE  
LOVES THEM !



WHAT'S  
**YOUR**  
GAME PLAN,  
BIG MOOSE  
???

D-UH---  
GAME  
PLAN  
???



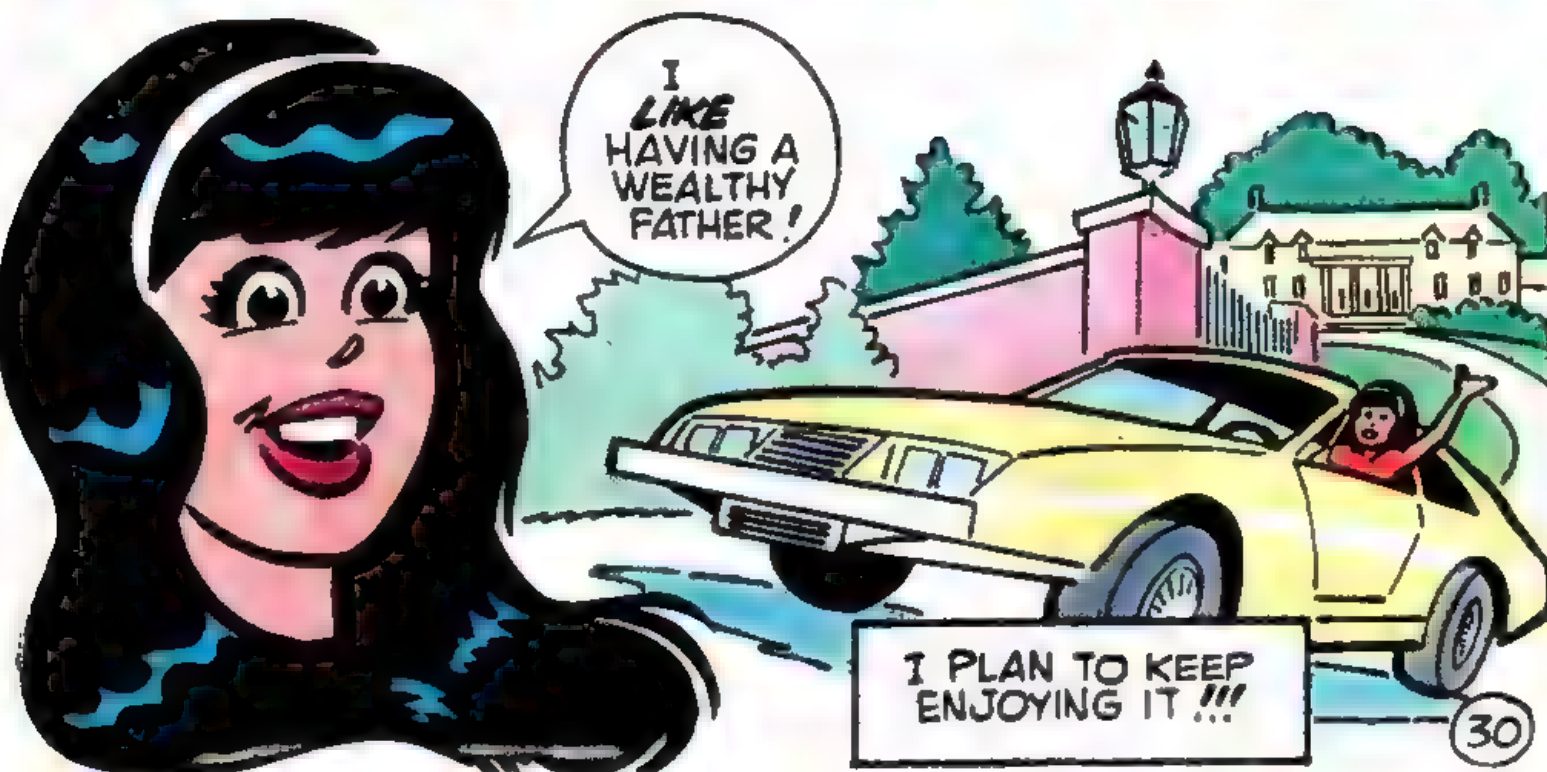
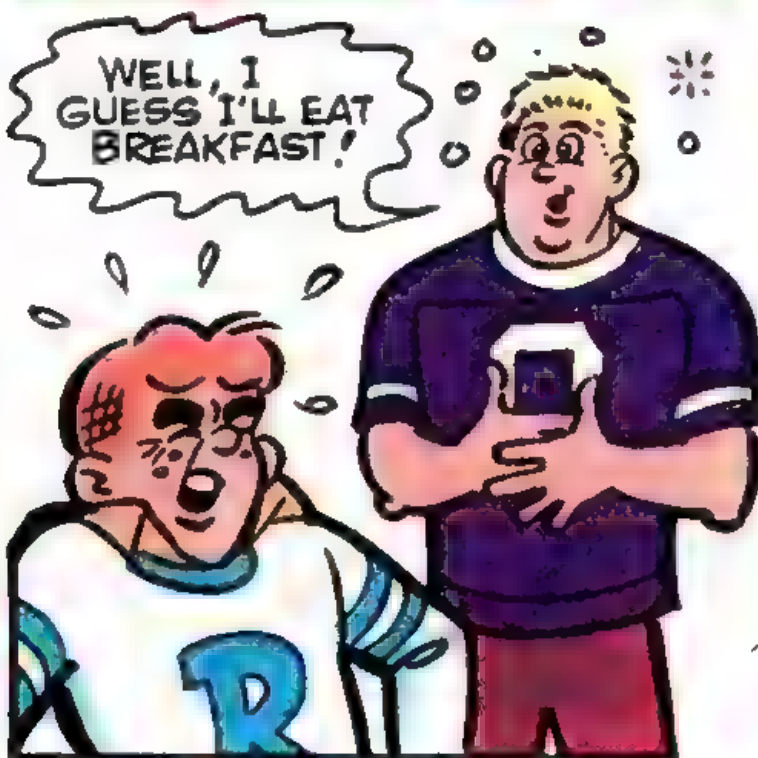
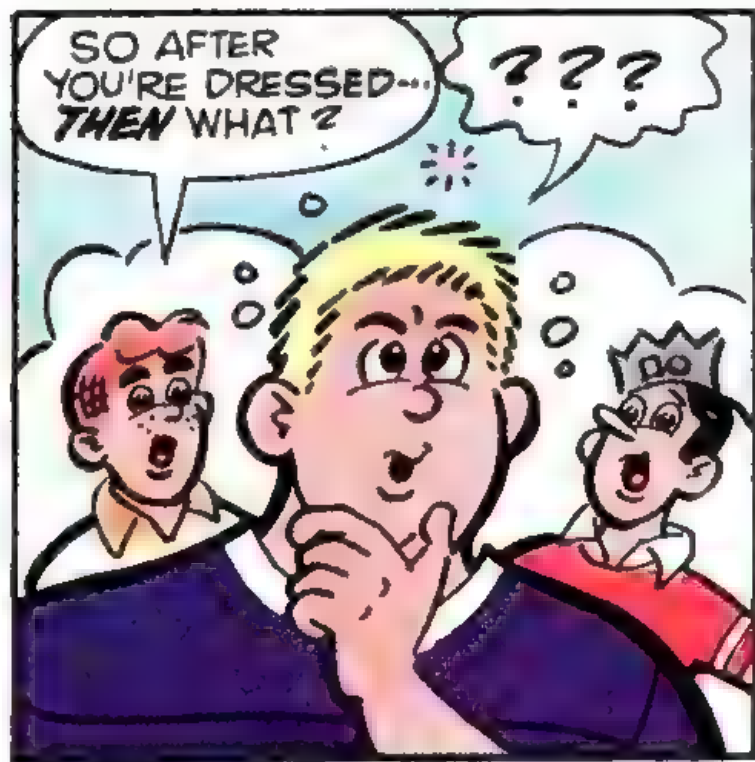
I MEAN---  
WHAT'S YOUR  
PLAN FOR  
YOUR LIFE  
???

WELL,  
UH---

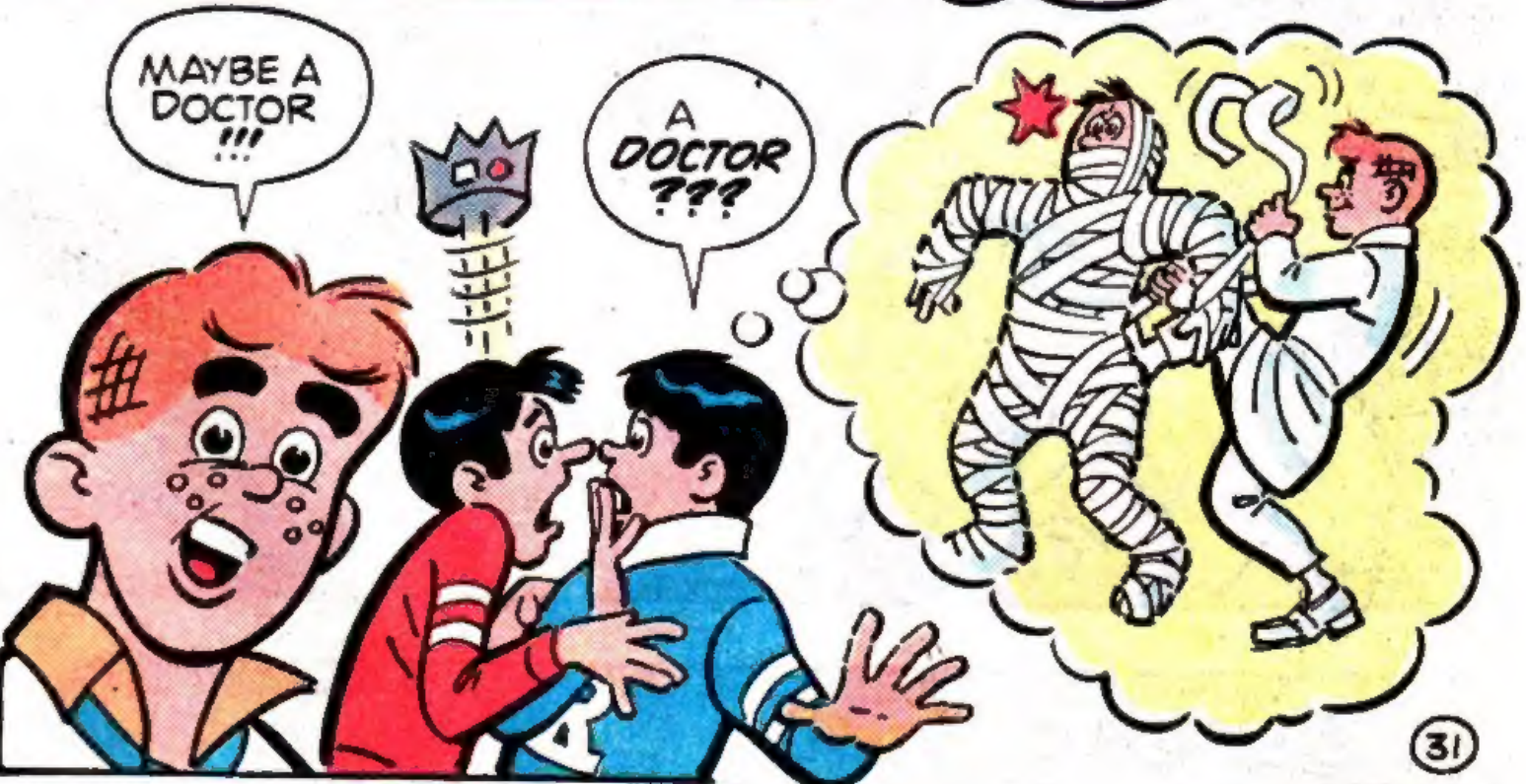
---I'M GOING  
TO GET OUT OF  
BED EVERY  
MORNING---

YES,  
YES---

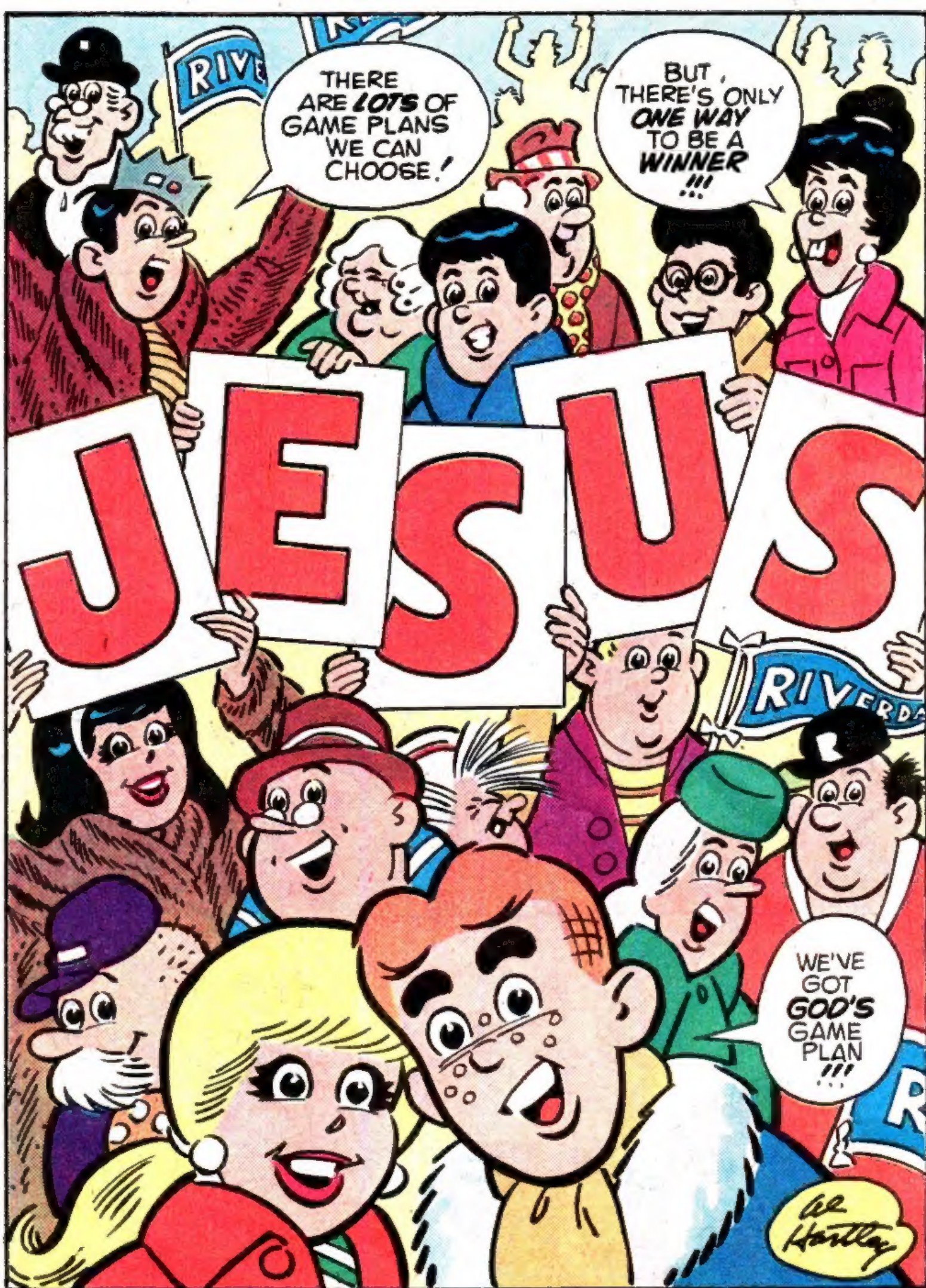












**GOD'S GAME PLAN FOR YOU!**





# THE *BEST* FOR YOU!

SPIRE

YOU AND I SHARE A SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP THROUGH SPIRE COMICS! WE ENJOY ALL THE THINGS THAT MAKE COMICS EXCITING... PLUS THE EXTRAS THAT FILL THE SPIRE SERIES... PRAYER, FAITH AND A REAL DESIRE TO SEEK GOD'S BEST FOR OUR LIVES!

WE TAKE A SLICE OF LIFE IN EACH ISSUE AND PUT IT ALONGSIDE GOD'S WORD, AND WE SEE HOW PERFECTLY THE BIBLE FITS OUR LIVES!



## GOD LOVES YOU! HE WANTS THE BEST FOR YOU!

- GOD CREATED YOU AND GAVE YOU **FREEDOM OF CHOICE!**
- YOU'RE FREE TO ACCEPT GOD'S LOVE, OR **REJECT IT!**
- ACCEPTING GOD'S LOVE BRINGS JOY, PEACE AND ETERNAL LIFE!
- REJECTING GOD'S LOVE BRINGS TROUBLE AND CONFLICT!
- GOD KNOWS ALL ABOUT YOUR LIFE STYLE AND YOUR MISTAKES!
- GOD SENT JESUS TO FORGIVE YOU AND TAKE AWAY YOUR GUILT!
- JESUS MAKES YOU THE KIND OF PERSON GOD KNOWS YOU CAN BE!

### GOD'S PROMISE :

"WHEN JESUS COMES INTO YOUR LIFE, YOU BECOME A BRAND-NEW PERSON." EVERYTHING CHANGES FOR THE BETTER! A NEW LIFE BEGINS!"

SEE 2 CORINTHIANS 5:17



YOU CAN PRAY THIS PRAYER RIGHT NOW... AND KNOW HOW MUCH GOD WANTS TO BLESS YOU!

GOD, I WANT YOUR LOVE AND FORGIVENESS! (CONFESS YOUR SINS TO GOD) PLEASE HELP ME TO LET JESUS BECOME MY LORD AND SAVIOUR! I WANT YOUR BEST FOR MY LIFE. AMEN

YOU'LL FIND IT HELPFUL TO READ THE BIBLE EVERY DAY! \* WHEN YOU PRAY, GIVE GOD A CHANCE TO SPEAK TO YOU! ATTEND CHURCH AND JOIN A BIBLE-STUDY GROUP. THE MORE YOU KNOW ABOUT GOD'S PROMISES, THE MORE YOU'LL KNOW HIS BEST FOR YOUR LIFE!

*Trust God  
and He will  
bless you!*

*Al  
Hentley*

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